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LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
23rd Dec.	OSIANA	7950	MOLDAVIA	12000
13th " 1911	MALOJA	11600	----	--
8th Jan.	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	10000
13th "	PERSIA	8000	----	--
20th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOOLTAN	12000
27th "	OSIANA	7950	----	--
3rd Feb.	SALSETTE	6000	MALWA	11600
10th "	CHINA	8000	----	--
17th "	SALSETTE	6000	MANTUA	11600
24th "	EGYPT	8000	----	--
2nd Mar.	MALWONNA	12000	----	--
9th "	ARABIA	8000	----	--
16th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	11600
23rd "	*ARCADIA	7000	----	--
23rd "	PERSIA	8000	----	--
30th "	MARMORA	10000	----	--
6th April.	MOOLTAN	12000	----	--
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	12000
20th "	MANTUA	11600	----	--
27th "	SALSETTE	6000	MALOJA	12000
4th May.	EGYPT	8000	----	--
11th "	ARABIA	8000	MONGOLIA	10000
18th "	----	----	----	--

The above Regular Mail Steamers are fitted with *WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.*

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

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Steamer.	Tonnage.	Captain.	Leave Bombay
Olympia ...	5121	R.H. Brown, R.N.R.	20th Dec. 1911
*Ircassia...	6716	C. F. Osborne R.N.R.	3rd Jan. 1912
Scindia	6105	W. Kelso	23rd " "

HOME YARD PASSENGER SEASON 1912.

		Leave Bombay
Castalia ...	6383	G. Mitchell ..... 7th Feb. 1912
*Elysia.....	6365	A. Haig..... 21st Feb. "
Marselia.....	5091	J. Thomson ..... 8th Mar. "
Olympia ...	5121	R.H. Brown, R.N.R. 23rd " "
*Jircassia...	6716	C.F. Osborne R.N.R. 6th Apr. "
Scindia ...	6105	Wm. Kelso ..... 21st " "
Castalia	6383	G. Mitchell ..... 3rd May "
*Elysia	6365	A. Haig ..... 17th " "
Marselia.....	5091	J. Thomson..... 2nd June "

*"Fitted with Marconi Wireless Telegraphy".

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Bombay to Suez	Rs. 413	627
Bombay to Portsaid	" 446	677
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Lhasa ...	2184	Mon.	18th Dec.	11 a.m. ‡	via P. D. & O. M.
Dumra ...	1695	Thurs.	21st Dec.	9 a.m.	*C. M.
Linga ...	2184	Fri	22nd Dec.	6 a.m. †	direct.

‡ Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvie.
* Cutch Mandvie.
† Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.

FOR KARACHI AND BUSREH (Weekly).

S. S. "Dumra," 1695 tons, on Thursday, 21st Dec. calling at Muscat, Linga, Bushire, and Mahomerah.

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S. S. "Pentakota," 3413 tons, on or about 28th December, calling at Seychelles, Mombasa, Zanzibar, Mozambique, Beira, Delagoa Bay and Durban.

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18th December, 1911.

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Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on THURSDAY.
Yarra.....	4142...	Rosati.....	...21st Dec. 1911.
Polynesien	6363 ..	Bruno.....	18th Jan. 1912.
Ville-dela Ciotat	6378...	Eschenauer...	15th Feb. 1912.
Nera	5583...	.....	14th Mar. 1912
Oceanien.....	4143...	Cousin.....	11th April 1912.
Armand Behic...	6635...	Guionnet.....	9th May 1912.
Yarra	4142...	Rosati.....	6th June 1912.

TO COLOMBO, SINGAPORE AND JAPAN.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on or about
Annam ...	6075.....	Veziat	21st Dec. 1911

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Oceanien	4143...	Cousin	26th Jan. 1912.

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BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK will be CLOSED, on SATURDAY, MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 23rd, 25th and 26th instant, those days being Public Holidays, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 16th December, 1911.

NOTICE.

A PUBLIC AUCTION will be held on January 16th 1912 at 2 p. m. at the office of the Manager Encumbered Estates, Hyderabad, Sind, for the sale of property consisting of pearls, precious Stones and Gold ornaments valued at about Rs. 35,000.

Th. WEBB,
Manager Encumbered Estates in Sind.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the POWER OF ATTORNEY, dated the twenty-fourth day of February, 1911, given by the Undersigned to George Edward Downes Langley, IS REVOKED, from this date, and that the said George Edward Downes Langley is no longer authorised by the undersigned to sign the name of the Firm of NOWROSJEE WADIA and SONS per procuration either in their capacity as Agents of the TEXTILE MANUFACTURING Co., Ltd., or in their capacity as Agents of the BOMBAY DYEING and MANUFACTURING Co., Ltd., or in connection with the general business of the said Firm to any Letters, Cheques, Bills of Lading, Orders, Hoondis, Acceptances, Promissory Notes, Contracts, Agreements, Transfers, Assignments, Receipts, Acquittances, and Discharges or other instruments or documents whatsoever to which the signature of the said Firm may be necessary or expedient in either capacity as such agents as aforesaid or in connection with the general business of the said Firm.—Dated this fourteenth day of December, 1911.

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SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Chief Engineer at his office, Ballard Road, upto 1-0 P.M. (S. T.), on WEDNESDAY, 20th December, 1911, for the purchase of Steam Launch "WITCH," of the following description:—

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P. GLYNN MESSENT,
Chief Engineer.

Chief Engineer's Office,
Ballard Road, 28th November, 1911.

BOMBAY, BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

CHRISTMAS 1911.

HOLIDAY TICKETS.

REDUCED FARES.

FROM 15th to 31st December, 1911, 1st and 2nd Class RETURN TICKETS at a SINGLE FARE, for the double journey, will be issued between any two Stations on the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Company's System for distances over 100 miles locally as well as in through-booking with Foreign Railways. Similar tickets will also be issued for distances 100 miles and less on payment of the fare for 101 miles.

II. Passengers holding Return Tickets will have the option of travelling by the routes noted below:—

(a) The holder of a Return Ticket by the B. B. and C. I. Railway Broad-Gauge route to Delhi from Bombay, and stations north of Bombay as far as Baroda, will have the option of using the Metre Gauge route via Ahmedabad on either the outward or return journey.

(b) The holder of a Return Ticket to Delhi from any station south of Bandikui who may desire to extend his journey beyond two stations on the East Indian, North Western, or Oudh and Rohilkhand Railways, &c., may return via Agra or via Muttra Junction; and similarly the holder of a Return Ticket to Bhatinda may travel via Delhi or Agra or Muttra Junction on the Return journey.

(c) The holder of a Return Ticket to Ajmer and Stations north of Ajmer from Baroda or any Station South of Baroda may travel via Ahmedabad or via Rutlam and Baroda, on the Return Journey.

III. Holders of these Return Tickets may break journey at one or more stations on the outward journey as well as on the Return Journey, provided they do not travel more than once in the same direction.

IV. Holiday Return Tickets will be available for the completion of the Return Journey up to midnight of the 15th January, 1912.

FREDERICK W. HANSON,
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Bombay, 30th October, 1911.

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Do.	Dep.	10-20	Do.	Dep.	12-27
Bharatpur	Arr.	21- 1	Lahore	Arr.	19-20
Do.	Dep.	21-11	Do.	Dep.	19-45
Delhi	Arr.	1-0	Ferozepore	Arr.	21-29
Do.	Dep.	1-31	Do.	Dep.	21-36
Bhatinda	Arr.	6-51	Bhatinda	Arr.	23- 3
Do.	Dep.	7- 1	Do.	Dep.	23-13
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Do.	Dep.	8-35	Do.	Dep.	5- 0
Lahore	Arr.	10-20	Bharatpur	Arr.	8-36
Do.	Dep.	10-45	Do.	Dep.	8-46
Rawalpindi	Arr.	17-51	*Rutlam Jn.	Arr.	19- 5
Do.	Dep.	18- 6	Do.	Dep.	19-25
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Under instructions from the Executors of the late Mr. A. B. Dunnett, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will, on THURSDAY, the 21st instant, at 2-30 p. m. (S. T.), sell by Public Auction, at Middle Colaba, opposite the Post Office, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood, plain and carved household furniture, rich glass and crockeryware, best platedware, dinner and desert sets, sliding dining table, arm and without arm chairs, mirror back sideboard and dumbwaiters, chiffoniers, drawing-room suite in 10 pieces, drawing-room cabinets, single and double mirror door almyrahs, cloth and gown presses, marble top dressing and washhand tables, mahogany square piano by Scheidmayer, revolving piano stool, jardineers, card table, rocking and reclining chairs, English palm stand, carved teapoys, Curzon chair, dressing chest of drawers, clothes basket, easy chairs, bentwood chairs, reclining sofa, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, cane chairs, pictures table and hanging lamps, meatsafe, rich carpets, copper utensils, a collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots, etc., etc.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

AUCTION SALE OF THE HOPE MILLS.

Under instructions from Sir Cowasji Jehangir Baronet who has been authorised in that behalf by the consent decree dated 13th November 1911 in Appeals Nos. 2 and 12 of 1911 and suit No. 650 of 1908 and pursuant to the directions contained in the said decree Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the Mill Premises on THURSDAY the 18th day of January, 1912 at 4-30 p. m., (S. T.) the Mill premises known as the Hope Mills together with all machinery &c as per following particulars:—

PARTICULARS.

Firstly.—All those pieces or parcels of Foras land or ground (held under a lease dated the 11th March 1893 and made between Damoderdas Tapidas and Dayabhai Tapidas of the one part and the Hope Mills, Limited of the other part for a term of 99 years from 21st October 1891 renewable in perpetuity at the monthly rent of Rs. 128-12-0) situate on the west side of the De Leslie Road, Chinchpoogly in Parel in Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, and containing by admeasurement twelve thousand one hundred and eighteen square yards or thereabouts and bounded on or towards the East by the said De Leslie Road, on or towards the West and South by the property of the G. C. Connaught Mill Company, Limited, and on or towards the North by the property secondly described and which said premises are registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 688, 690, New Nos. 12687 and 12690, Old Survey No. and New Survey Nos. 1/2706, 1/2707 and 1/2708 and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward Nos. 224—8/49 and 1053 and Street Nos. 294, 296 and 58.

Secondly.—All that piece or parcel of Foras land situate on the West side of the De Leslie Road in Parel in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay admeasuring nine thousand two hundred and sixty-five square yards or thereabouts and bounded on or towards the East by the said De Leslie Road, on or towards the West by the property of Rao Bahadur Nana Moroji and others on or towards the North by the property formerly of Sorabji Jamasji Lala but now of Sir Dinshaw Maneckji Petit and on or towards the South by the property first described all which said piece or parcel of land is registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue long with the other pieces or parcels of land belonging to the said Rao Bahadur Nana Moroji and others under Old Nos. 670, 688, 690, and 729 and New No. 12661 and in the Books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward G. No. 2250 and Street No. 298 together with the Buildings, outhouses, edificies and other structures erected or standing thereon and also with all the Mills consisting of about 29000 spindles, engines, boilers, mechanical appliances therein and all fixed and moveable machinery pumps, implements, articles, tools and things and all preparatory machinery in about the property above described.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs Mulla and Mulla, Attorneys for the said Sir Cawasji Jehangir Bart, or to the undersigned.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 18th December, 1911.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No 35, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE of the Right title and interest in the properties situated at 3rd and 4th Kamathipura.

High Court Suit No. 566 of 1911.

Karadibin Karadi
vs.
Narayun Bhomaji Totawar.

Under instruction from Mr. Karadi bin Karadi the plaintiff in the above suit and in persuance of the direction contained in the consent decree dated the 17th October, 1911. Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction the right title and interest of Mr. Narayun Bhomaji Totawar the first defendant in the above suit in the following landed properties:—

On WEDNESDAY the 3rd January 1912 at 4 p. m., (S. T.) on the premises.

Firstly.—All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground of quit and ground rent tenure with the messuage-tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate at 3rd Kamathipura Street containing by admeasurement 84 square yards and 5-9 of another square yard, (made up of two adjoining pieces respectively measuring 42 and 3-9 and forty-two-ninths square yards or thereabouts) assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 3577 and 3577, New Nos. 10311 and 10,311 Old Survey No. 3154 and 3154, New Survey No. 5913 and 5913 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward No. E. 1300 (1) and (2) Street No. 148-150 and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the East Shanker Chinoo, Foolmali's property on or towards the West by the house of Ragoo Babaji on or towards the North by the Kamathipura 3rd Gully and on or towards the South by sweeper's passage.

On WEDNESDAY the 3rd January 1912, at 4-30 p. m., on the premises.

Secondly.—All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground of quit and ground rent tenure with message, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate at New Town fronting the Northern side of Kamathipura 4th Street in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay admeasuring 47 square yards and 6-9 of another square yards or thereabouts registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 3769, New No. 10467, Old Survey No. 3244 and New Survey No. 6070 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward No. 1337, Street No. 67 and bounded as follows:—on the East by the house of Pokal Balaram on the West by the house of Vithoba Vanjari on the South by the said Kamathipura 4th Street and on the North by the sweeper's passage.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Tyabji Dayabhai & Co., Solicitors at No. 15, Esplanade Road, Fort, or to the undersigned.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 18th December, 1911.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 20th December, at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. J. S. MODY & Co., Auctioneers, are instructed to sell by Public Auction, in the Petit Buildings, near Alice Buildings. and opposite the Oriental Buildings, on Hornby Road, Fort, a consignment of Japanese curiosities, just landed, ex s. s. "Wakasa Maru," consisting of superior kegs and satsuma gold decorated colored vases, bowls, plates, porcelain tea and coffee sets, dinner services of 174 pieces, jardineers, flower pots, table ornaments, gold gilt lacquered ware, wooden carved cabinet writing desks, richly carved wooden screens, Chinese cloissonneware, Chinaseware, Kobe crepe embroidered sarries, for Parsi ladies, tafla silks, cotton blouses, etc.

The above is on view.

SALE on FRIDAY, 22nd December, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.)

On FRIDAY, the 22nd December, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs J. S. MODY & Co., Auctioneers, are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "Harbour View," first floor, near the old Apollo Hotel, on Colaba Causeway, very valuable French and mahogany polished new designed household furniture, such as tapestry lined drawing-room suites of sofas and chairs, corner cabinets, iron and brass bedsteads, almyrahs, cabinets, glass, crockery and platedware, carpets, aluminium cooking utensils, etc., etc., the property of K. E. Stevens, Esq., and others.

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J. S. MODY & CO.

Bombay, 18th December, 1911.

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Throughout the day.

STADIUM
At 4-30 P. M.
Indian Army
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At 9-30 p.m.
Feats of Horsemanship and Spectacular
RIDING DISPLAY
by 7th Dragoons.
TORCHSWINGING,
MIMIC BATTLE
By Royal Warwickshire Regt.

FUTURE ENGAGEMENT
Wednesday, Dec. 20.
Performance of
7 MASSED BANDS
AND
special Engagement of
H. I. M. the
KING-EMPEROR'S BAND.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON MARKETS

LONDON, DEC. 15.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 16.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
3 1-2 per cent. Consols	79 3-16		3-16
do. Rentes	95 1-2		1-4
3 1-2 do. Sterling Loan	93 1-2	un	chgd
1-2 do. Gov. Securities	64 3-8	1-8	
Bar Silver in London	25 9-16	2-16	
do. 2 months' hence	25 2-8	3-16	
Bar Silver in New York	55 3-8	3-8	
Exchange on London at Paris	25·24		01
do. do. at Berlin	20·45		1-2
do. do. New York	4·86 3-8	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate	4 p.c.	since	
do. Short London Bills	21st Sept		
3 months' sight	3 7-8	un	chgd
do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight	3 1-2	un	chgd
do. 3 months' Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	un	chgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	un	chgd
Interest day-to-day Loans	3 3-8	1-8	
do. 7 day Market Loans	3 5-8	un	chgd

Bar Gold 77·9 unchgd
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) 1 3 31-32 unchgd.
Closing Tone of Silver—Rise caused by speculative buying.

SPECIE SHIPMENTS.

Silver to Bombay ... £160,000
Bar Gold to Bombay ... £110,000
Sovereigns to Bombay ... £ 10,000

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—
Spot Firm. Good business done.
Futures ... Steady.
East Indian ... .
Manchester Firm but not active.
Total Sales ... 10,000 bales
Sold on Speculation and for Export... 1,000 „
Imports ... 2,000 „
Mid-Americans ... 5·02+03
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 unchgd

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apr.	April-May
4·86 +04	4·87 +05	4·88 +04	4·89 +04	4·92 +05

May-June	June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4·94 +05	4·96 +05	4·98 +05	4·99 +05

New York Official noon call Jan. 8·73; March 8·95. New Orleans 10 a.m. Jan. 8·96; May 9·08.

NEW YORK— Bales.
Receipts at all U.S. Ports ... 106,000
Receipts at U. S. last year ... 72,000
Exports to Great Britain ... 22,000
Exports to Continent ... 34,000
Spot Cotton— ... 9·45 unchgd
Futures—Month of Jan. 8·79+03
Futures—Month of May 9·05+06
} Advanced on favorable cables and on bullish week-end figures.

NEW ORLEANS—
Spot Cotton ... 9 3-16+1-16
Futures—Month of Jan. ... 9 05+09
Do. do May ... 9·18+10
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Firm.

Bales.
Week's Receipts of cotton at U. S. Ports 461,000
Do. exports to Great Britain ... 123,000
Do. do. to France and Continent 174,000
Do. do. to Japan ... 22,000
Stock of cotton at U. S. Ports ... 1,490,000
Do. do. at Interior Ports ... 926,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS— Bales.
Total actual Exports ... 11,000
do Forwarded ... 89,000
do Imports ... 178,000
do Stock ... 713,000
Stock of Cotton in London ... 2,950

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

F. G. F. Tinnevelly—Liverpool C I F... 5 3-8
Buyers or Sellers.—Buyers.
Months—March-April.
Fair Red Coconada C. I. F. London ... d 4 9-32
Coconada Ginned C I F London ... d 4 3-8
Westerns G. M. C I F London ... d 5

YARN.
40s Banner Mill Twist ... 9 7-8
George Mayall's Yarn ... 8 7-8
Shirtings—Dhooties—Moderate enquiry. Little doing.

WHEAT.

Wheat White Delhi ... Nominal.
Do. Months— ......
Do. Name of Ports— ......
Wheat White Karachi ...36 1-4 unchgd
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Buyers.
Wheat Red Karachi ... 35+1-4
Do. Months—Dec.Jan.—London—Nominal.
Tone—Dull.

SOUTH AMERICAN.
Rozario Santa Fe-62lbs. ... No sellers.
Do. Months— Firm.
Barletta Russo 62 1-2lbs ... No sellers.
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Quiet.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN.
South Australian ...36 unchgd
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.
Victorian ...36 unchgd
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.
New South Wales ...36 unchgd
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p.c. ex-ship ...Nominal.
Do. Months— ... .
Do. Name of Ports— ... .
Yellow Guzerat, per 416 lbs, 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal
Do. Months— ......
Do. Name of Ports.— ......
Brown Cawnpore ... 46 unchgd
Do. Months—Mar.-May
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Nearest value.
Tone—Firm.

LINSEED—
Bombay per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 61 1-4+1-4
Do. Months—Feb.-Mar.
Do. Name of Ports—Dunkirk—Done.
Tone—Firmer.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ...60 3-4+1 3-4
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—Hamburg—Done.

COTTONSEED—
Bombay Cottonseed ... £ 6-14-6 +0-1-0 Dec.-Jan.—Hull—Sellers—Firmer.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) ... ... 14 1-2—1-8
RUBBER—
Para Rubber ...4 4 1-2—1-2 Dec.-Jan.—Value—Quiet.
METALS—
Copper Braziers ...... £ 73 +1
Yellow Metal ...... d 6 3-8 unchgd
Standard Copper G M B ... £61 11-16+1-2
Tin Plates I. C.Coke 14 by 20 112 sheets per box weighing 90 lbs c. i. f. Liverpool ......
Bar Iron, Belgian No. 2 ordinary sizes F. O. B. Antwerp ... 5 2 6
Iron Corrugated Sheets 24 gauge G.O.B. 4 per cent. F. O. B. Liverpool ... 11 5 0
Basic Steel Bars Belgian C. I. F. India.. 5 13 9
FREIGHT—
Coals—Cardiff to Bombay Canal 12 6—Value
ARRIVALS—
"Bassano".
SUGAR—
German granulated sugar C. and F. India double bags ...18 4 1-2—4 1-2
Do. Months of Shipment ...Jan.-Mar.
Tone—Dull. Scarcely any demand.
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India ...Nominal.
Do. Months of Shipments ... .
German Beet-root 88 p. c. 15—1 0 1-2
Months of Shipments ... Jan.
Tone—Flat More doing at the decline.
E A R & Similar Crystals C & F India 20 7 1-2 unchgd
Months of Shipments ...Mar.-Aug.
Tone—Neglected and nothing doing.
Mauritius Crystal C & F Calcutta and Bombay ...16 6 unchgd—Value
Months of Shipments ...Dec.
Tone—Quiet.

JAVA SUGAR.
Raw Java Nos. 16×18 C and F Calcutta 15 6—Dec.-Jan.—Value.
Do. 13-3—July-Oct.—1912—Value.
Raw Java C and F Bombay and Karachi 15 7 1-2—Dec.-Jan.—Value.
Do. 13 4 1-2—July-Oct.—1912—Value.
Fine White Java C & F Calcutta 16 4 1-2—Dec.-Jan.—Value.
Do. 15—July-Oct.—1912—Value.
Fine White Java C and F Bombay and Karachi 16 6—Dec.-Jan.—Value.
Do. 15 1 1-2—July-Oct.—1912—Value.
Tone—Nothing doing. Prices lower.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

SATURDAY EVENING.] [16th Dec. 1911

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Importers
2 boxes rupees.	Rs. 3,300	Port Said	National Bank
2 parcels silver	21	London	Indian Specie Bank
77 bars silver...	1,50,000	do	International Bank
1 box sovs......	75,000	Sydney	Chartered Bank

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 14th Dec., 1911.

By	Bars	Ounces
G I P Railway ...	93	116,856
B B and C I Railway ...	25	29,437

FINANCIAL.

EXCHANGE:—
The market opened steady at 1s. 4 1-3 2d. to 1-16d. T. T., 1s. 4 1s. 1 6d. Demand and 1-4 9 3 2d. for 3 months' sight sredits. There has been little doing to-day being mail day. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote:—
T. T. on London ...1s. 4 1-32d. to 1-16
Demand Draft ...1s. 4 1-16d.
Credits 3 months' sight ...1s. 4 9-32d.
Do. do forward ...1s. 4 9-32d. Feb.
Do. do France ...171 1-4
Do. do Marks ...139 1-4
Hongkong 60 days' sight ...137 1-4
Shanghai „ ...182
Japan „ ...150

GOVERNMENT PAPER:—
The market has again fluctuated during the day, opening at 96 5-8 for Cash and 96 1-2 for the Settlement and closing 1-8 lower in both positions. A moderate business has been done.

We quote:—
Cash ... ... Rs. 96 8 0
Settlement ... ... „ 96 6 0

BULLION:—
* The London maket for Bar Silver yesterday closed 3-16 higher both for ready and for delivery in two months at 25 9-16 and 25 3-8 respectively. New York was 3-8 up at 55 3-8. The local market has been steady, rates closing as under.

We quote:—
English Bar Gold ... ... Rs 24 0 0
Australian „ ... ... „ 24 0 0
Sovereigns „ ... ... „ 14 15 0
Silver Ready ex-duty ... „ 63 15 0
„ 1st Settlement ... „ 63 15 0
„ 2nd ... ... „ 64 2 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT:—
Owing to the continued advance in the American markets prices here opened steadier and the decline of yesterday was recovered. Broach opened at Rs. 248 and during the morning advanced to Rs. 249. At Colaba a moderate business was done in contracts and rates closed almost unchanged.

For ready cotton there was a moderate enquiry which holders were meeting freely.

QUOTATIONS:—

NEW CROP.
Good M G Broach ... ... Rs. 248 1-2 March
Fine M G Wardha Hingunghat „ 246 Jan.
Fine M G Nagpur ... ... „ 244 „
Fine M G Yeotmal ... ... „ 242 „
Fine MG Dhamangaon-Pulgaon „ 240 „
Fine M G Khamgaon-Akola... „ 239 „
Fine M G Khandeish ... „ 229 „
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ... „ 223 „
Fine M. G. Bengal ... ... „ 241 Dec.
Fine M G Bengal ... ... „ 238 Jan.
F. G. H. G. Bengal ... ... „ 220 „

LIVERPOOL OPENER:—
Opening Tone ... ...Quiet but steady.
Estimated Sales ... ... 5,000 bales
Total Imports ... ... 22,000 „

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.
4·88 +02	4·89 +02	4·90 +02	4·91 +02

Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4·94 +02	4·96 +02	4·98 +02	5·00 +02	5·01 +02

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED:—
The market is firm with a good enquiry.
We quote:—
Ready ... Rs. 11 15 0 B.T.
May ... „ 10 10 0 B.T.

RAPESEED:—
The market is steady. We Quote:—
Brown Delhi A.-M. ... Rs. 8 2 0 B.T.
Yellow Guzerat ready ... „ 8 12 0 B.T.
Brown Cawnpore ready... „ 7 14 0 „

GINGELLYSEED:—
The market is quiet but steady. We quote:—
Bold White 85 p.c. ... Rs. 11 9 0 B T
Gulburga ... „ 55 0 0
Red Jubbalpore ... „ 52 0 0
Black Kutni ... „ 47 0 0

CASTORSEED:—
Tone—Steady. We quote:—
Ready ... Rs. 7 7 0 B. T.
Forward ... „ 35 4 0

COTTONSEED:—
Tone—Quiet but steady. We quote:—
Ready. ... Rs 25 0 0

POPPYSEED:—
Tone—Steady. We quote:—
Ready ... Rs. 10 11 0 B. T.

GROUNDNUTS:—
Tone—Steady. We quote:—
Bold ... ... Rs. 41 0 0

MOWRASEED:—
Tone—Quiet.
Ready ... Rs. 7 5 0 B. T.

WHEAT:—
The market is steady. We quote:—
White Pissi ready 85 p.c. Rs. 5 0 0 R. T.
„ Delhi A.-M. ... „ 5 3 9 „

SHARES.

BANKS.
Bank of Bombay ... 1,772 1-2
Bank of India ... 67
Eastern Bank ... 79
Indian Specie ... 50 1-2

MILLS.
Central India S & W Co... 1,880
David ... 416 1-4
Kohinoor ... 757 1-2
Manockji Petit ... 2,710
New Great Eastern ... 195
Standard ... 1,145

PRESS.
New Mofussil ... 790

MISCELLANEOUS.
Alcock Ashdown ... 232 1-2
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary ... 150 1-2
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference... 175
Bombay S N Co Ord. ... 282 1-2
Colaba Land and Mill ... 1,220
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate ... 17 1-4
Treacher & Co ... 500

RAILWAYS.
Central Provinces Railway ... 36
Tapti-Valley ... 520

DAY'S RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m., yesterday:—

Cotton ... 7,787 bales
Wheat ... 15,982 cwts.
Linseed ... 362 „
Rapeseed ... 525 „
Gingellyseed ... 24,759 „
Poppyseed ... 398 „
Groundnuts... 12,859 „
Castorseed ... 7,139 „
Rice ... 7,431 „
Myrabollams ... 1,466 „
Cottonseed ... 29,321 „
Mowraseed ... 1,120 „
Gram ... 891 „
Joowar ... 2,423 „
Maize ... 4,168 „

LONDON MARKET

LONDON, DEC. 16.] [BOMBAY, DEC. 17.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
3 1-2 per cent. Consols	77 1-4	1-16	
3 do. Rentes	95 3-4	1-4	
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	93 1-2	un	chgd
do. Govt. Securities	64 1-2	1-8	
Bar Silver in London	25 1-2		1-16
do. 2 months' hence	25 5-16		1-16
do. in New York	55 1-4	un	chgd
Exchange on London at Paris	25·23 1-2		1-2
do. at Berlin	20·45	un	chgd
do. at New York	4·86 3-8	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate	4 p.c.	since	
do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight	21st Sept 3 15-16	1-16	
do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	3 1-2	un	chgd
do 3 months' Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	un	chgd
do. 6 months' Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	un	chgd
Interest day-to-day Loans	3 3-8	ud	chgd
Interest 7 day Market Loans	3 3-4	1-8	

Bar Gold ... 77·9 unchgd
Exchange on India 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) 1 3 31-32 unchgd.
Closing Tone of Silver—Fall caused by absence of buying orders.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—
Spot Steady, fair demand.
Futures ... Quiet.
East Indian ... .
Manchester ... .
Total Sales ... 8,000 Bales.
Sold on Speculation and for Export 1,000 „
Imports ... 22,000 „
Mid-Americans ... 5·05+03
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 9 unchgd.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April.	April-May
4·87 +01	4·88 +01	4·90 +02	4·91 +02	4·93 +01

May-June.	June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4·95 +01	4·98 +02	5·00 +02	5·01 +02

NEW YORK— Bales.
Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 77,000
Receipts at „ last year ... ...
Exports to Great Britain ... 40,000
Exports to Continent ... Nil.
Spot Cotton— ... 9·45 unchgd
Futures—Month of Jan. 8·81+02
Futures—Month of May 9·10+05
} Advanced on bull support and shorts covering and declined partially on realising.

NEW ORLEANS—
Spot cotton ...9 1-4 +1-16
Futures month of Jan. ...9·01—04
Futures month of May ...9·15—03
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Steady.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT

Bales.
Total in Sight ... 8,360,000
Egyptian Visible Supply ... 310,000
East Indian do ... 52,000
American do ... 4,320,000
Other do ... 71,900
Total Sales ... 64,000
East Indian sales ... 100
Total Speculation ... 7,000
Do. Exportation ... nil.
East Indian Stock ... 8,000
Do. Forwarded Consumer ... 400
Do. Actual Exports ... 12,000
Do. Week's Imports ... .
Do. Speculation ... .
Americans Afloat ... 360,000
East Indian ... 1,000
Total afloat ... 407,000

WHEAT.

Wheat White Karachi ... 37
Do. Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—London—Sellers.
Red Karachi 38
Do Months—Dec.-Jan.—London—Nominal.
Tone—Firmer.

SOUTH AMERICAN.
Rozario Santa Fe—62lbs ... No sellers.
Jan.-Feb.—
Barletta Russo 62 1-2lbs. ... No sellers.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN.
South Australian ... 36 1-4 Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.
Victorian ... 36 1-4 Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.
New South Wales ... 36 1-4 Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs 85 p.c ex-ship. ...
Do. Name of Ports—Nominal.
Do. Gujarat, per 416 lbs, 85 p.c.ex-ship ... ...
Do. Months—
Do. Name of Ports.—Nominal
Brown Cawnpore ... 45 1-2
Do. Months—Mar.-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp—Sellers.
Tone—Firm.

LINSEED—
Bombay, per 416 lbs ex-ship ... 61 1-4
Do. Months—Feb-Mar.
Do. Name of Ports.—Dunkirk—Sellers.
Easier.
Linseed Argentine—La Plata ... 60
Do. Months—Dec.Jan.
Do. Name of Ports—Hamburg—Sellers.

BOMBAY COTTONSEED.—
£ 6-14-0 Dec.-Jan.—Hull—Done—Firm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

COFFEE—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality). 14 1-2 unchgd
RUBBER—
Para Rubber ... ... 4-4 1-2 Dec.-Jan.—Value. Quiet.
FREIGHT—
Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay Canal ... 12-6
SUGAR—
German Granulated Sugar C & F India (Double bags) .. 18 3
Do. Months of Shipment...Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Tone—Quiet.
Hungarian Crystals Sugar C & F India ...Nominal.
Do Months of Shipments ... .
German Beet-root 88 p.c. ... 15 0 1-4—Sellers.
Months of Shipments ... Jan.
Tone—Less pressure to sell.
E A R & Similar Crystal C & F India ... 19 8 1-4
Months of Shipments ... March-Aug. Sellers.
Tone—Offered at lower prices. Nothing doing.
Mauritius Crystals C & F Calcutta and Bombay ... 16 4 1-2—Value.
Months of Shipments ... Dec.
Tone—Quiet.
Javas, General Tone—Nothing doing.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 16.

FOR LIVERPOOL.
Olympia s—1 bale cotton, Diwadkar and Co; 9 bales wool, S Bhejraj; 43 bales wool, M Balia; 40 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 295 bales cottonfly K Visram and Co; 5 casks condiments, M Poonjiaji and Sons.

FOR LONDON.
Maloja s—2,184 cwts cottonseed, L Dreyfus and Co.

FOR HULL.
Ardgarroch s—4,000 cwts wheat, B S Lloyd and Co; 95 bales hemp, D M Doongaji and Co.

FOR MIDDLESBRO.
Hindoo s—2,500 tons manganese ore, T Morrison and Co.

FOR ROTTERDAM.
Peebles s—3,000 tons manganese, R A Willis.

FOR ANTWERP.
Newbridge s—2,200 tons manganese ore, M Doogar.
Farley s—150 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 2,000 cwts wheat, M Vulubhdas.

FOR DUNKIRK.
Hurst s—800 cwts horns, E Mohomed; 228 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR MARSEILLES.
Olympia s—1,000 cwts gingellyseed, B S Lloyd and Co; 1,400 cwts teelseed. Ralli Bros.

FOR PORT SAID (for order.)
Elmmoor s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR HONGKONG.
Delta s—400 bales twist, C Ebrahim and Co: 100 bales twist, Sassoon J David and Co; 72 cwts kissmiss, Narsie Tokersee; 288 boxes dollars, The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; 21 cases condiments 15 bundles dry fish, M Poonjiajee and Sons; 120 cwts dry fruit, M Vassanjee; 75 cwts sharkfins, M J Joo nabhoy and Co; 1 case Cambay stones, R Gordhunlal and Co.

FOR KOBE.
Annam s—400 bales cotton, Tata Sons and Co; 100 bales cotton, A Rajaram and Co; 5,100 bales cotton, M Amersey and Co; 200 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.
Delta s—400 bales cotton, M Amersey and Co; 700 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 100 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha and Co; 900 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co; 200 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR MOJI.
Delta s—200 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha; 750 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR YOKOHANA.
Annam s—200 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co.

FOR OSAKA.
Delta s—200 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co.

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

U. P. INDIGO.

The final report on the indigo crops of 1911.

[Note.—On an average of the five years ending 1909-10 the area under indigo crop in the territory to which this forecast relates has represented some 12.9 per cent. of the total area under indigo in British India.]

Area.—When the first forecast was issued in September last a substantial decrease in the indigo area sown this year was anticipated on the basis of the reports furnished by selected land owners. According to the crop returns just received from the village according to the decrease amounts to 5 per cent., the total indigo area of the province for 1911 being 26,502 acres compared with 31,200 acres last year. The Agra division, as now constituted, exhibits an increase of 1,006 acres and Allahabad of 355 acres; but a decrease of 2,960 acres occurred in the Gorakpur division a net decrease in the province of 1,698 acres.

Outturn.—The indigo crop this year suffered severely from hot winds and the drought of July and August, which retarded the growth of the plant. In the Allahbad division the crop is estimated at 80 per cent of the normal, in Gorakhpur at 70 per cent. and in Merut, Agra and Fyzabad at 60 per cent. In the remaining divisions the area sown with Indigo is insignificant. For the province as a whole the crop is estimated at 70 per cent. of the normal compared with 75 last year.

The total outturn of Indigo is estimated at 4,500 factory maunds compared with 5,100 manuds last year showing a decrease of 13 per cent. Some portion of the dye is consumed locally; hence the amount of Indigo available for the Calcutta market will probably be somewhat less than the estimated outturn.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender, Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

ELLAPPA BALARAM—On Thursday, the 14th instant, at her residence in Grant Road, Gowarabai, the wife of Rao Bahadur Ellappa Balaram, aged 56. Deeply regretted.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BALLIN—December 10, at Calcutta, the wife of H A Ballin, of a daughter.
LOCH—December 9, at Dehra Dun, the wife of Captain S G Loch, D S O, R E, of a son.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Excelsior Cinematograph Novelty Theatre, Special Attractions.—"The King's Programme." Four shows nightly, 5-30 to 6-45, 7 to 8, 8-30 to 9-30, 10 to 11 p.m. Exhibition Cinematograph, continuous performance.
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KHOJA SAJUNBHOY MEERALLY'S CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—During last month the number of Khoja patient sthat were treated in this Dispensary was 1,722. Among them the number of new admissions was 406, classified as stated:—Men 120, women 126, and children 160, total 406. The average daily attendance was 57.

SKATING RINK.—On Friday night, Messrs. Soundy gave a most enjoyable and well-attended dance in the Rink, as an extra attraction, introduced Mr. Henry Houston, the celebrated London conjuror, who was a great favourite at Messrs. Maskelyne and Devants' Home of Mystery. Mr. Houston pleased his audience immensely with his excellent tricks, and racy humour. We understand Messrs. Soundy have booked Mr. Houston to appear in the Rink again very shortly. It will be seen from an advertisement in this issue that the management reopen their night sessions (9-30 to 11-30) to-night. The floor is in excellent condition and the Rink band will be in attendance every night.

LATE MRS. GOWARABAI ELLAPA BALARAM.—We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Gowarabai, wife of Rao Bahadur Ellappa Balaram, J. P., a citizen of the town, which took place at her residence at Grant Road, on Thursday night, the 14th instant. The deceased Mrs. Gowarabai was pious, kind and always ready to render help to the poor and deserving people. She was well versed in the Mahabharat and Ramayan, the Hindu epic poems. Her funeral procession, which took place on Friday morning, was attended by from 1,200 to 1,500 persons, amongst whom were the Rao Bahadur's friends, relatives and persons of different castes holding high positions. She was cremated in sandal wood.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.

A CHRISTMAS APPEAL.

The Physician in charge, St. George's Hospital, will be glad to receive any presents of fruit, cake, wine, game toys, books, etc., for the patients and children in the institution during the Christmas season.

OLD AND NEW BOMBAY.

We have received from the Caxton Press (Claridge) Bombay, a copy of "Old and New Bombay," an historical and descriptive account of Bombay, and its environs. It it impossible to say too much in praise of the publication which is copiously illustrated throughout, and teems with descriptive and lucidly written information of the Bombay of a bygone day.

There are many striking pictures of the Old City, pictures that will not fail to awaken memories in those whose knowledge of the city goes back fifty years, and it is possible to trace the evolution of the Old to the New along clearly defined lines. Both compiler and printer are entitled to credit for the publication. Its get-up is neat and clear, the illustrating, in particular, being up to an excellent standard.

DISOBEDIENT 'KHALASIS.'

On Saturday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Captain William Kuant of the s. s. "City of Athens" charged Rosidala A. Mahomed and nineteen other "khalasis" on board the steamer, with continued disobedience of lawful orders. It appeared from the evidence that the accused refused to work from the 13th instant saying they were quite tired out and wanted to be paid off. The captain, however, refused to pay them off. The men alleged ill-treatment. The accused were convicted, and sentenced to undergo six weeks' rigerous imprisonment and three days' wages were ordered to be deducted.

COUNTERFEIT COINS.

On Saturday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Sub-Inspector Bahudin charged one Vithal Harjiwan, a blacksmith, with utering a counterfeit coin. The case for the prosecution was that on the 5th instant the accused tendered a counterfeit rupee to a hawker named Mahomed Oosman, in Sandhurst Road, and asked for change. The hawker, after giving the him chenge, felt the rupee which he found to be light in weight. The rupee also did not ring well. He told the accused it was a false rupee, whereupon the latter offered to take the rupee and give back the change. But the hawker refusd to do so and took him to the police. The accused's house in Duncan Road was searched, where implements of coining were found.

The further hearing was adjourned.

THE B. M. A. BAND.

Third Concert at Town Hall.

The B. M. A. Band, under the directorship of Lieut. Green gave another performance at the Town Hall, on Saturday night, before a large and appreciative audience. The programme was varied and ambitious, and all the numbers were delightfully rendered.

The overture was "Mignon" from Ambroise Thomas's most successful operatic work of that name. The libretto to is based on Goethe's novel, "Wilhelm Meister." The slow movement which begins the overture consists mainly of the beautiful melody sung in the opera by Mignon. The second number was German's "Welsh-Rhapsody," a work containing four distinct movements, each introducing a characteristic Welsh melody, and this elaborate item was accorded a great reception. A selection from "Lohengrin" followed, and preceded (a) Serenata (Moszkowsky.) (b) Scherzo "Die Manschen vor der Falle" (Kohler), a contribution in which the band was perhaps heard as its best.

The second period opened with (I) Danse de Pretesses de Dagon and (II) Danse Bacchanale, from Saint-Saen's "Samson and Delilah," and this was followed by a distinct diversion in selections from The "Chocolate Soldier" (Straus), one of the great hits of the evening. The concert concluded with selections of Sullivan's songs (arranged by Henley) and the "Lustige Brider" Waltz (Vollstedt.) We understand the band will appear in further concerts before the departure of H. M. S. "Medina."

THE "OLDHAMIA" GRIEVANCE.

British Shipowners' Lose £60,000.

The "Oldhamia" was a Manchester ship destroyed by the Russians in the war with Japan. She left New York on March 26, 1905, under charter by the Standard Oil Company, with a Cargo of 149,462 cases of petroleum says the "Manchester Guardian." On May 5, while flying the British flag, she was stopped by a blank shot from a Russian warship near Formosa. A prize crew was put on board, which navigated her so carelessly that she ran on a sandbank on June 2, and the officer in charge, without attempting to get her off, set fire to her and destroyed her. She burned for a month, and the Russian officer stood by for the whole time watching her burn. From that day to this the owners of the "Oldhamia" have not received a penny compensation from the Russian Government for a loss estimated at over £60,000. On November 8,1905, Lord Lansdowne advised the owners to bring their claims before the Russian Prize Court at Libau. "If, after legal remedies have been exhausted, a denial or miscarriage of justice is apparent, the propriety of diplomatic intervention will be considered." Exactly six years later, the owners received the following communication from the Foreign Office:—

Foreign Office, November 8, 1911.

Gentlemen,—In reply to your letter of the 1st instant respecting the case of the Oldhamia, I am directed by Secretary Sir E. Grey to state that your letter of June 12 last did not seem to require any specific reply.

The matter having been decided by the highest Russian tribunal, and the Russian Government having declined to submit it to arbitration, no useful purpose would, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, be served by attempting to reopen the case.—I am, gentlemen, your most obedient, humble servant,

(Sign'd.) F. A. CAMPBELL,

Messrs. Sivewright, Bacon, and Company.

This letter is up to the present, the last word of the Foreign Office. If the matter goes no further, this letter is an advertisement to the whole world that the greatest navy in the world is powerless to prevent acts of piracy on British shipping, and our Foreign Office powerless to secure redress. It is a question for all Englishmen, and especially for all who have any interest in trade whether it is for the good of the country that this advertisement should be made.

THE FACTS OF THE CASE.

The facts of the case with all the necessary documents are very clearly set forth in a pamphlet, "The Case of the Oldhamia, which has just been published by the owners. We have in our leader columns drawn attention from time to time to their importance, and in an article reviewing the whole case which we published in May last year we made the following points:—

(1) That even if the Oldhamia had been chock-full of contraband her destruction would still have been an act of piracy, and the captor would be bound to make compensation without respect to the question whether the capture was valid or not. The English Prize Courts have always denied the right of a captor to destroy a neutralship because he could not take it into port; and the Declaration of London (article 51), which Russia has signed, only admits one exception to this rule—viz., if the failure to destroy "would involve danger to the safety of the warship or to the success of the operations in which she is engaged at the time. The fact that the captor stood by the Oldhamia for a whole month after he had set her on fire is conclusive proof that this exception does not cover him.

(2) That the cargo of lighting petroleum on board the Oldhamia could under no circumstances be treated as contraband, because, as was proved incontestably by expert evidence before the Prize Court, it could not possibly be used as fuel. In August, 1904 the British Ambassador at St. Petersburg asked the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs what was meant by "naphtha" in the Russian list of contraband, and whether it included lighting oil, and was informed that it meant not material for lighting but all kinds of naphtha products used as fuel on vessels and submarines. Refined petroleum such as the Oldhamia was carrying distils at 130deg. Fahrenheit; whereas the oil burnt as fuel on boats has a flash point of at least 200deg. Fahrenheit.

(3) That even if lighting petroleum were capable of being used as fuel, and therefore liable to capture as "conditional contraband," the condemnation was stil illegal, because this particular cargo was consigned to a private person, and no evidence was offered to show that it was destined for public use. The burden of proof is on the captor; if the presumption is that every article capable of military use is contraband, most of our imports are liable to capture.

Apart altogether from the private loss to the owners of the Oldhamia, their claims asserted three principles of immense importance to the country at large—namely, the right of British ships to be protected from acts of piracy, the right of British trade to a reasonable definition of contraband, and the right of all consumers to the benefit of the presumption that a cargo capble of a peacefull or a warlike use is in fact intended for peaceful use unless the captor can prove the contrary. It follows that the case of the Oldhamia is not merely whether the owners should receive compensation for their losses, but whether a grave injury should be inflicted on the permanent and vital interests of the whole country.

THE FOREIGN OFFICE VIEW.

Now this view was taken by the Foreign Office itself. Lord Landsdowne, as we have seen, promised six years ago that if after legal remedies had been exhausted "a denial or miscarriage of Justice" was apparent, diplomatic action "might" be taken. Sir Edward Grey on December 19, 1905, said that diplomatic action "would" be taken. On January 4, 1910, after legal remedies had been exhausted, Sir Edward Grey instructed the Ambassador at St. Petersburg to inform the Russian Government of their "entire dissent" from the findings of the Prize Courts, and on August 27, 1910, the following letter was addressed to the owners describing the grounds of a further protest:—

Foreign Office, August 27, 1910.

Gentlemen,—With reference to the letter from this department of the 10th of June last I am directed by Secretary Sir Edward Grey to inform you that His Majesty's Charge d'Affaires at St Petersburg has been instructed to address a further representation to the Russian Government setting out in greater detail the grounds on which His Majesty's Government find themselves unable to agree with the judgment of the Supreme Prize Court in the case of the steamship Oldhamia.

They have maintained that the finding of the Court in regard to the contraband character of the petroleum on board that vessel is against the weight of evidence and that it could only have been utilised for lighting, and not as fuel, and that, even if it could have been employed for the last-named purpose there was nothing to show that it was destined for the enemy's forces.

His Majesty's Government have therefore strongly urged that compensation should be awarded to you for the loss you sustained owing to the destruction of your property and in default of the Imperial Government being able to accede to this request that the case should be submitted to arbitration by the International Tribunal at the Hague. I am gentlemen your most obedient humble servant.

(Signed) W. LANGLEY.

The Foreign Office now reports the failure of these representations, and pleads that no useful propose can be served by "reopening the case." In other words, the measure of protection that the Foreign Office can give to vital British interests at sea is not the degree of justice that is on their side, but the extent of injustice to which our complacency can tempt a foreign Power.

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BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, 18th December.

1. There will be a parade for all members residing in the neighbourhood of Pali Hill, Santa Cruz and Andheri this Monday morning the 18th instant Rendezvous on the Flats near the Jackal Club at 7 a. m, punctually.

Dress Drill Order, Khaki, Carbines, Swords and Bandoliers.

2. Commanding officer's parade on Wednesday morning next, the 20th instant for members residing in the Fort Rendezvous Church Gate Station at 7-30 a. m.

Dress Drill Order, Khaki.

3. Riding school to-day Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday next, for Recruits and members in possession of remounts.

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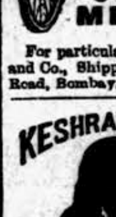
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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The steamer Ismaila 3,281 tons Captain J. K. Rose, arrived here on Saturday from Rangoon December 4 with a cargo of timber rice and general and passengers.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Lhasa 950 tons Captain H. Manley arrived here on Saturday from Karachi with mails, a general cargo and passengrs.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Dumra, 762 tons, Captain W. C. Morrison arrived here on Sunday from Busreh December 9, via Karachi with a general cargo, 25 cases opium and passengers.

The Japan Line steamer Tosa Maru, 3,610 tons, Captain. T Sato sailed on Saturday for Kobe etc., with a general cargo.

The P. and O. Company's mail steamer Arabia 4,098 tons, Captain W. B. Palmer sailed on Saturday for London with a general cargo and passengers.

The steamer Harfleur 2,846 tons, Captain D. Sadler sailed on Saturday for Karachi with ballast.

The B. I.-S. N. Co's steamer Lawada 2,124 tons, Captain C. H. Lane will sail to-day for Calcutta via coast ports, with a general cargo and passengers.

The steamer Hymelties 2,895 tons, Captain R. Walls, arrived here on Friday evening from Calcutta December 6, with a cargo of coal.

The Austrian Lloyd S. N. Company's steamer Koerber 3,157 tons, Captain A Foresti, arrived here on Friday evening from Trieste, December 1, with a general cargo and passengers.

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Arabia ....4198 Pulmer..............P & O Co
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Hymelties .... 2895 Wills............ ......
Cuyahoga ....2979 Allerathsen......Standard Oil Co
Oceana............3507 Jones ......London ...P & O Co
Glenleg ....2696 Muirhead.........W & A G & Co
Helias .... 960 Kundsen ....F F C & Co
Madura..............1273 Logan...................M M & Co
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Moloja ....6782 Wiston...London ..P & O Co
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Nurani..............2870 Crebbir.....Calcutta...T M & Co
Persia.............4154 Haughton .....London...13-1-12... P & O Co
Peebles..............2733 Wallace ..T Morrison and Co.
Pundua..............2126 McDiarmed...............M M & Co
Singu..............1912 Murison ......Shaw Wallace & Co
Shirlay..............2192 Stone ....T Morrison & Co
Towergate ....2358 Jackson...W & A Graham & Co
Fultala ....2701 Chioles .. Moulmein...14-12 .. M M & Co
Firozzi.........2029 Primrose...Karachi......19-12 .... B & P S N & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 16.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels. Tons. Capts. Dest. Date. Agents.
B Hindoo...............3156 Groves ......Hull.......22-12...... Finlay & Co
C&R City of Athens......3571 Know ....K N & Co
N Brodstone ....3039 Martin..........Antwerp......... W & A G & Co
G Naseri..............912 Watson.......P Gulf ....27-12... B & P S N Co
O Hurst ....2997 Moody ....Liverpool...25-12... W & A G & Co
O Ardcarroch..........3160 England...Hull ...K N & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

2 Olympia.......3269 Brown ....L'pool.......20-12....... W & G & Co
3 Elmmoor.......2390 Evans ....Port Said...19-12... Ralli Bros
5 Koerberg.......3164 Foreste ...Trieste ...1-1-12...... A L S N Co
7 Montabello..........2770 Croft......J. Finlay and Co.
10&11 Delta ......4780 martin ...Shanghai...20-12...... P & O Co
12&13 Persia.......4954 Haughton ...London ...13-1-12... P & O Co
15 Koenig.........3176 Von Holdt...A Strandes & Co
16 Farley ...2766 Samson ..Liverpool ..W & A G & Co

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Courland.............760 Ebrahi ...m...........Bo S N Co

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ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels	Commanders	From
15	Hymeltics	Wills	Calcutta, Dec 6
	Koerber	Foreste	Trieste, Dec 1
	Beme	Younger	Rangoon, Dec 7
16	Lhasa	Manley	Karachi, Dec 14
	Ismaila	Rose	Rangoon, Dec 4
17	Dumra................	Morrison	Busreh, Dec 9
	Clan Gordon		Liverpool, &c

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
16	Brookby	Thompson ...	Philadelphia
	Capri	Figari	Hongkong
	Habsburg	Cosulich	Trieste, &c
	Arsterturm	Goosmaun	Karachi
	Tosa Maru	Sato	Kobe, &c
	Arabia	Palmer	London
	Harfleur	Sadler	Karachi
	Calcutta		

The steamer Lawada, Captain Lane, Calcutta, obtained her portclearance on Saturday.

The following vessels began to load on Saturday:—
Steamer Beme, for Rangoon.
" Oceana, for London.
" Persia, for London.
" Maloja, for London.
" Koerber, for Trieste, &c.

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II. Bugle Practice at the Bo. Ed, Society's School, Byculla, at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, the 20th instant, Commanding Officer's parade, Fall in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p.m. Dress—Drill Order, Uniform, with caps.

II. Maxim Gun.—Instructional Class will be held at Head-quarters, Council Road, at 7-30 a. m.

Friday, the 22nd instant—All Recruits of the current season to parade at Head-quarters at 6-30 p.m.

1143. Musketry—The Range at Ghat Kopar is allotted for Class-firing as follows:—(For all Class-firing members will take their sidearms to the Range).
Tuesday, the 19th inst. "D" Coy.
Wednesday the 20th inst "G" Coy.
Thursday, the 21st inst. "D" Coy.
Friday, the 22nd inst. "F" Coy.
Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6-10 a.m.

1144.—A Proficiency Class will be started early, those wishing to appear this season should submit their names to the Adjutant at once.

E. G. J. BYRNE, Captain,
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Monday, 18th December, 1911.

THE STRAIN OF MODERN LIFE.

It is a curious fact that our most distinguished statesmen, and men in the thick of things are continually breaking down. We need only look back quite a short period, and see the numbers of breakdowns that have occurred within very recent times. Lord Crewe has been seriously ill, Mr. Lloyd George has suffered often from throat strain. Lord Carrington and Sir Edward Strachey have both been reported as seriously indisposed. Mr. Balfour is constantly suffering from influenza, and requires regular intervals of golfing to tone up his system. Mr. McKenna has had appendicitis. Mr. Burns has aged visibly, and assumed a patriarchal whiteness of hair within the past few years. Mr. Churchill has developed a stoop, and has already the heavy slow footstep of old age, and no one seeing him now would imagine that he was a few years ago a dashing cavalry subaltern. Political life has grown year by year more severe and exacting. The days of great oratorical effects are over, but now the daily strain of constant speech-making to constituents and in the House, are much heavier than formerly. The younger Pitt made some really fine speeches—gems of oratory—but Mr. Churchill and Mr. Lloyd George have probably delivered more public orations, individually, in a month, than Pitt delivered in a life-time. Fox may have suffered from throat troubles for all we know, but they would hardly have been the result of speech-making. Formerly our statesmen grew old slowly and in a dignified manner. See how slowly Mr. Gladstone grew old. In those days the claims of office were never so strenuous that he could not find time for occupying himself with many outside interests.

Nowadays things are much changed—the rush and hurry of modern life are tremendous. Only the other day Mr. F. E. Smith might have been seen leaving the House in the early morning after an all-night sitting, and going straight to the Law Courts to carry on his professional work—a terrible example of burning the candle at both ends, and of a life that no man however strong can expect to live for long without a serious breakdown either mental or physical. As in political life, so in every profession, calling, or walk in life the hurry, the bustle and rush are to be seen. In large business offices, influenza, neuritis, appendicitis, and many other forms of "itis" diseases are responsible for the absence of the head of the firm, the chief clerk, or the confidential adviser. In every big business, in every large company, the same tale of woe, of constant breakdowns, is heard. Nervous breakdown, indigestion, and various maladies traceable to no special causes beyond the hurry and rush of modern life. What are the causes for these breakdowns? What new factor has entered into the up-to-date twentieth century life, that was absent in the ninteenth century life which uses up our energies, and our manhood so quickly. It can hardly be gainsaid by any reflecting person that the very means brought into existence for the purpose of facilitating our labours, has in reality added a thousand fold to the stress and hurry of modern life. The inventor of the telephone, for example, no doubt claimed his discovery as a universal boon to the world at large—and are likely to add to the luxury and comfort of every day life. But has the actual result been quite so advantageous as expected. The user of the telephone doubtless considers that the instrument saves him endless trouble.

But in reality does it do so? Certainly not. The telephone has increased a hundred fold the demand on the time of every busy man who uses it. Where formerly a business man would probably in the day communicate either by letter or by personal interview with from twenty to thirty other business men in a day's work, nowadays he may without moving from his office table talk to from one hundred and fifty to two hundred other business men in a day. Where formerly some twenty business matters were by formally written letter carefully thought out, or by the personal interview settled in a sedate and orderly manner after mature deliberation, nowadays the same man carries out and completes during a two minutes' talk across the 'phone wires ten to twenty times the amount of business in a day. The business man's mental capacities are the same as formerly and where without undue mental strain he could easily carry out his daily task, now thanks to the telephone, the enormous rush and overstrain of a ten or twenty-fold bigger business must inevitably result in nervous breakdown of either the mental, or physical system. The enormous increased mental strain thrown upon the brain eventually develops some one or other of the modern complications known as of the group of "itis" diseases. The telegraph, the telephone, the motor-car, tube railways, and flying machines are all adding to the deadly rush, the dreadful hurry of modern life. These inventions have all been hailed as helpers of man—but in truth, man has become the slave of the machine—a slave who works ten times as hard as he did before the birth of his servant the machine. The modern politician, the doctor, the lawyer, the business man, all use the motor-car, and are rushed at full speed with due regard to the speed limit only when a police trap is suspected—from speech-making to foundation stone laying; from a deathbed to an accident case; from defending a murderer in one case to appearing ten minutes later in another court pleading for a luckless co-respondent. True rest cures have sprung up as the antidote, but to be enjoyed one must breakdown first as the ordinarily sane and sound man is not willing to pay exorbitantly for the luxury of resting on a bed in absolute quiet and doing nothing. And so the rush, the bustle of life goes on—young men are old at forty. The serene peacefulness of former life seems to have deserted us entirely.

British Shipowners' Grievance. It is a coincidence that at a time when Russian methods in Persia should be criticised by those who believe the latter country is being unjustly treated that the owners of the British steamer "Oldhamia" should reopen their grievance against Russia. The story of the sinking of the vessel created a widespread sensation in British shipping circles at the time. She was owned by the Manchester and Salford Steamship Company, Limited, and was in 1905, during the Russo-Japanese War, carrying a cargo of petroleum, owned by the American Standard Oil Company. Near the island of Formosa, she was captured by the Russian cruiser "Oleg," searched, and eventually sent on to Vladivostok with a prize crew aboard. She did not reach that port, but ran aground, and was destroyed by fire (May 22, 1905), by the officer in charge. Relying on certain assurances, neither the Standard Oil Company nor the steamship company had insured either cargo or ship against war risks. The loss involved to the owners of the vessel was over £60,000, and Lord Lansdowne, the Foreign Minister of the day, advised the owners to bring their claim before the Russian Prize Court; and he added:—"If, after legal remedies have been exhausted, a denial or miscarriage of justice is apparent, the propriety of diplomatic intervention will be considered." After very unsatisfactory proceedings in the Russian Prize Courts, compensation being refused, diplomatic assistance was requested from the British Foreign Office. The only satisfaction, the owners got from the Foreign Office was a statement made on behalf of Sir Edward Grey, that "the matter having been decided by the highest Russian tribunal, and the Russian Government having declined to submit it to arbitration, no useful purpose would, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, be served by attempting to reopen the case." This appears to be the last word of the Foreign Office on the matter, and it is regarded in commercial circles at home as "an advertisement to the whole world that the greatest Navy in the world is powerless to prevent acts of piracy on British shipping, and our Foreign Office powerless to obtain redress." It is pointed out, and after legal opinion has been secured, that even if the "Oldhamia" had been "chockful of contraband," her destruction would still have been an act of piracy; that the cargo of lighting-petroleum could under no circumstances be treated as contraband, because it was proved in the Prize Court, that it could not be used as fuel; and that if even lighting-petroleum were capable of being used as "fuel" and therefore liable to capture as "conditional contraband," the condemnation was still illegal, because this particular cargo was consigned to a private person and no evidence was offered to show that it was destined for public use. The burden of proof is on the captor. If the presumption is that every article capable of military use is contraband, most of our imports are liable to capture. That is the case for the shipowners and it is one generally accepted in Great Britain as sound. In the face of the Russian refusal to reopen the matter the only further remedy would be one of force—an unthinkable remedy, as even the friends of the owners point out; but capital is being made out of the case to draw public attention to the Declaration of London, which its advocates claim was framed largely to meet such cases as that of the "Oldhamia." They declare that because they were convinced of the importance to neutral shipping of securing a trial on appeal to a court composed in the majority of neutrals that H. M. Government entered into the scheme for the establishment of an International Prize Court at The Hague. Since this matter was reopened, during mail week, the Declaration of London has gone by the board with the Naval Prize Bill which was rejected last week by the House of Lords, and it remains to be seen what will be done to cover such cases as they may happen in the future.

Fate of the Alexandrian Library. The burning of the famous Alexandrian Library by the Mahomedans in the seventh century has often been questioned by many writers and the truth the statement is very hard to discover. But very recently, some important facts of have come to light which would seem to go a long way towards ending the dispute. The original statement that the Mahomedans burnt the Library, rests, it will be remembered on the sole authority of a Christian historian, the wellknown Abrel Faraj Bar-Hebraeus who flourished in the latter part of the thirteenth century. The testimony of a Christian writer, however distinguished, might well be doubted in a matter affecting the good name of the Mahomedans, and especially when relating to an event which was supposed to have happened six centuries before his time. But an important discovery has been lately made as to the sources whence Bar Hebraeus derived his hitherto unsupported statement, which shows clearly that it is derived from an earlier and a Mahomedan source. A writer in The *Times* calls attention to an able article of Isya Joseph on the subject in which he shows that the distinguished scholar, Dr. George Laidan, in his history of Mahomedan Civilization, published at Cairo city, two earlier independent authorities each confirming the assertion of the Christian Bar Hebraeus. One of them is Abdul Latif of Baghdad who visited Egypt at the end of the twelfth century and died when Bar Hebraeus was a boy of seven in 1233. The other is a Moslem man of letters, Jamal-ud-Din Al Kifti who was born in Upper Egypt in 1169 and died in 1248 when Bar Hebraeus was a youth of 22, and in whose Dictionary of Learned Men is found stated that the great library was burnt by Umru at the time of the Saracen conquest of Egypt. Laidan, as well as Joseph, musters strong evidence to show that Bar Hebraeus merely copied his statement from Al-Kifti. Many, and among them Gibbon, were disposed to think the passage to have been a later interpolation in the history of Bar Hebraeus, if the latter was to be acquitted of making this damaging assertion against the Mahomedans. But Laidan's discovery puts a new complexion upon Bar Hebraeus' story. Al Kifti a Moslem writer and a native of Egypt itself, is now shown to be the authority of Bar Hebraeus, whose Christian bias has nothing to do with the matter beyond borrowing the damaging statement from a Moslem. This is indeed new light thrown on a vexed question, and we should like to hear further on the subject. Isya Joseph goes farther than merely supporting Laidan's discovery about Al Kifti, and proceeds to show that the story of the thing is credible in itself. The early Mahomedans were capable of such acts of vandalism and Laidan points to Persia where these conquerors behaved in a similar manner, destroying the ancient literature of the people. This is supported by the traditions current among the Parsis to the present day handed down from their ancestors.

Owing to the large influx of visitors to H. M. S. "Medina" on Thursday last, it has been found necessary to limit the visitors to those who hold tickets of admission. These tickets can be obtained by applying to the Commanding Officer, H. M. S. "Medina", and will admit bearer and family, etc. Applications should show numbers requiring admission and date of the Thursday on which applicants wish to come on board. In order to ensure correct addresses, an addressed envelope should be enclosed with each application.

Sir John Hewett took over the charge of the United Provinces administration from Sir Leslie Porter at Delhi on Saturday.

It is understood that Sir Reginald Craddock has been offered and has accepted the appointment of Home Member of the Government of India in succession to Sir Lewis Jenkins, who will join the Secretary of State's Council next summer.

Sir Benjamin Robertson will proceed home by the mail steamer of the 23rd instant on five months leave and will take up the Chief Commissionership of the Central Provinces on 1st June.

Captain T. S. Blackwell, R. A. M. C., proceeds to India to take medical charge of the 1st B. N. R. I. Rifles, leaving Maymyo on December 23 and on completion of his Indian tour service he will proceed home via Karachi.

The nomination of Baba Gurbaksh Singh Bedi to the vacancy in the Punjab Legislative Council caused by the death of the Hon. Sir Pratap Singh is notified. Bedi Gurbaksh is a lineal descendant of Guru Nanak. The Hon. Mr. Meredith will continue to represent the Punjab as Additional Member on the Supreme Legislative Council.

The second International Congress of Entomology will be held at Oxford from the 12th to 17th August, 1912.

A mysterious new disease is carrying off many horses in the French department of the Gard, one proprietor's losses already amounting to £1,200. The malady is said to resemble that caused by the tsetse fly in South Africa, which is also prevalent in Algeria and Morocco.

The Premiers of New South Wales and Victoria have sent a joint letter of protest to Mr. Fisher, the Federal Prime Minister, against the establishment by the Commonwealth of savings banks in connection with the new banking scheme, and particularly against the porposal to deny the existing State savings banks the use of post offices as branches.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

GERMANY AND ENGLAND.

Sir E. Grey's Speech.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Dec. 2.

The flood of comment which has burst around Sir Edward Grey's speech in the House of Commons in Germany, proves one thing up to the hilt. It shows the extreme degree of importance attached to the English Minister's, utterances by every political and non-political party and class and creed in Germany. It proves that in the universal opinion here the destinies of the two nations are inalienably linked up together; that, like two opposing magnets, they will exercise a continuous and all-powerful influence upon one another, attracting or repelling as the current of feeling flows between them.

Wading through the deluge of German newspaper opinion, one receives the impression first of all that Sir Edward Grey's utterances have been received as a satisfactory explanation of certain things which of late have caused feelings of alarm and unrest; as a satisfactory clearing away of mysteries which, purely on account of their mystery, engendered suspicion and distrust and as affording a clear basis upon which, given a suitable future environment and good intentions, a better understanding and a closer relationship may be built up between the two countries.

The second impression one receives is that the English Minister's speech has in no way brought about an overwhelming revulsion of feeling in Germany; indeed it is not hard to detect signs of disappointment, which though hidden are still apparent to those able to read between the lines. The general feeling here is, "So far so good, but it might have gone further." The third impression one receives is that the small Pan-German group is hopelessly and absolutely incorrigible, and will never by any means be persuaded to regard England other than as an enemy.

OFFICIAL ATTITUDE.

Perhaps the most significant and most happy augury is that those journals popularly supposed to draw their expressions from the Government side accord the warmest reception to Sir Edward Grey's utterances; indeed, in some cases it would appear that they even seek to read into his words some more definite declaration or promise than they actually contain; and it is in Government circles that one detects more clearly those little signs of disappointment to which I have referred. It is hard to say exactly what was expected of Sir Edward Grey in these circles unless it was some indication that Germany might expect to occupy in the future that place in English political affections at present enjoyed by France.

Perusing these comments in the Government Press, one cannot escape the conviction that the mere hint of such an invitation from the English side at this juncture would have been received with open arms by certain ruling circles here. The Opposition journals and the Liberal Press are more reserved. While declaring themselves ready and willing to embrace friendship with England on terms of equality, they cannot bring themselves to throw out their pet bogey: England's "world arbitration." They declare that before they grasp the hand of friendship in a lasting compact they must receive proof that England does not consider herself the supreme arbiter of the world's doings, and particularly those of Germany.

EXPLANATION ACCEPTED.

Sir Edward Grey is everywhere given the highest credit for a clear, straightforward, statesmanlike speech, even by anti-English journals, one of which goes so far as to draw comparisons between the speech in the House of Commons, and those of the Morocco debate in the Reichstag, much to the disadvantage of the German statesmen. Sir E. Grey's chronological description of what took place between his own department and the German Foreign Office in the interval from July 1 to July 21, is generally accepted as a clear and sufficient explanation of England's attitude, and some sharp criticism is directed against Herr von Kiderlen-Waechter's handling of affairs during that period. Particular satisfaction has been caused by the passage in Sir E. Grey's speech in which he declared definitely that no further secret treaty clauses exist between England and France, and that Britain is not a partner in a military alliance formed with the express purpose of opposing Germany. In this sentence of Sir E. Grey's speech is perhaps to be found the seed which will bear the best results in the future course of Anglo-German relations, for this "secret military treaty" has been a kind of nightmare for the last few days, not only to partiotic Germans, but also to genuine advocates of world's peace, and its final dissipation by Sir E. Grey is regarded as at least leaving a "clean slate."

ENGLAND REGARDED WITH DISTRUST.

The German Government has decided in its own mind that Anglo-German relations remain as they were before Sir Edward Grey's speech, and that, therefore, Germany must continue to regard England with distrust, and guard herself against English hostility. The German Government does not believe it possible that England can be a friend to France and also Germany at one and the same time, and as Sir Edward Grey made it clear that England had no thought of throwing old friendships overboard, Germany must continue to regard her as unfriendly. This is the only possible conclusion to be drawn from the official journals, which have now had time to get in touch with their sources of inspiration the reason for this somewhat sudden change of attitude is not very hard to find. A shot time ago Germany found herself trembling on the brink of war with the only nation she had any reason to fear. Such a war would spell disaster to Germany's growing development, and certain sections of the governing forces in Germany thereupon decided that a continuation of the hostile feeling towards England threatened too many dangers, and that a rapprochement with England must be sought. But England was already bound in friendship to France, whom Germany considers her opponent. The German Government, however, realised that the war scare which affected itself had also caused something like a split in English opinion, and it believed that England in her turn might now take the view that an alliance with France entailed too many dangers, and on this belief the German Government built up hopes that Sir Edward Grey would give some indication that Germany might expect some time in the near future to take the place of France.

Sir Edward Grey, however, did nothing of the kind. He expressed goodwill towards Germany, but he made it unmistakably plain that England's feelings towards France had undergone no change and the German Government, disappointed in its hopes, has returned to its old standpoint, possibly even more embittered than previously. This is the story to be read between the lines of the inspired utterances of the official journals, of which the "Kolnische Zeitung" forms a good example, and which to-day declares that Sir Edward Grey's speech leaves no doubt that England stands shoulder to shoulder with France, not only in the political friendship of two cultured nations, but also as a diplomatic combination directed against the German Empire.

The leading articles in the Russian papers on the debate in the House of Commons consist chiefly of paraphrases of Sir Edward Grey's speech. The "Novoe Vremy" says: "It is the speech of a statesman embodying in the sobriety and the great courage of British foreign policy." The "Bourse Gazette" observes: The speech has partly dispersed the clouds on the political horizon. We must be grateful, and profit by the respite. The two or three years mentioned by Sir E. Grey will be a long and dangerous period particularly for Russia, owing to her geographical position.

TRADE OF TRIPOLI.

A report made to the American "Levant Trade Review" immediately prior to the outbreak of the Italo-Turkish war deals with the local industries in Tripoli and Cyranaica. The exports from Benghazi, says the writer, are far in excess of those from Tripoli, and were last year valued, approximately, at £500,000. They consisted chiefly of sheep, goats, cattle, hides, skins, and wool. The possibility of a larger agricultural development is favoured by the greater accessibility of the water supply as compared with Tripoli. Before the war put a stop to their operations, two companies one French and the other Italian, were successfully sinking artisan wells in the neighbourhood of Benghazi, where a very fair crop of barley was last year raised. The Ottoman Bank was so favourably impressed with the industrial prospects of the province that it was about to open a branch establishment at Benghasi, in competition with the Banco di Roma, when hostilities intervened.

In Tripoli trade has been more or less stagnant during the past few years. The arrivals of the caravans bringing skins, ostrich feathers and ivory, are irregular and uncertain, and merchants will not invest in a better equipped and more regular caravan trade with the interior. The country is purely agricultural and pastoral, and it is impossible to conceive anything in the shape of industrial activity. The Banco di Roma established factories for expressing oil from olive stone by a sulphuric acid process, but they have not thriven. Communications with the hinterland settlements are difficult and precarious, and are confined almost exclusively to camel transport. The Ottoman Government had made a small grant for the development of roads in Tripolitania, and a ten-mile road was under construction from Tripoli to Zanzur when the war broke out. But thousands of miles of passable roads are necessary to afford proper facilities for a normal exploitation and development of the vast agricultural resources of the country. Wheat crops are, as a rule, unreliable owing to the climatic irregularity of the spring and autumn rainfalls. With favourable pastoral conditions there is always a good export trade in sheep, cattle, and camels, which go chiefly to Alexandria. Since 1907, agriculture has given very poor results, and the current year was more than ordinarily disappointing. Trade was suffering severely before the advent of the Italians, and with the exception of barley, rice, and flour all imports had practically ceased or largely decreased.

From this summarised purview, it is evident that even if Italy eventualy succeeds in subduing the hinterland of Tripoli she will not have come into possession of a land of milk and honey, but must expend huge sums in the reclamation of lands and the construction of highways, and it is a far cry to the realisation of a profitable revenue from such huge investments.

FRENCH WOMEN AS LAWYERS.

On Thursday afternoon, the famous criminal pleader, Maitre Henri Robert, inaugurated a series of lectures organised at the Lyceum Ladies' Club in Paris, by the feminine Institute of Law. The eminent counsel drew a very flattering picture of his lady colleagues. "Women," he said, "do nothing by halves and when they take up law they are admirable in their tenacity and ingenuity as well as in their confidence in the final result. Some counsel take up a case merely, because it happens to come their way and when it is over leave the court with a sense of relief. But there is another sort who have faith in justice and faith in others to bring about the triumph of their cause. Nothing wearies them, and no failure discourages them. They joyfully climb up every step in the ladder of jurisdiction, and if they are beaten they expect other judges to give them what they have just been denied." Speaking of clients and of the inveterate habitue of the courts, he said that one of his colleagues had an infallible method of getting rid of such folk, though he had never ventured to use it himself. "He puts on his gravest air, and, after having listened to his redoubtable client, says: —'Your case is exceedingly important. Alas! a simple lawyer can only advise you in such circumstances, without being able to give you effectual help. You should go at once to the Elysee and ask to be allowed to state your case to the President of the Republic in person, and, above all, insist upon being received at once. It seems that those who follow this advice never have any time left afterwards to annoy their lawyer." M. Robert then went on to pay a high tribute to the services rendered by lady lawyers in penal cases, and especially where children are concerned, every little culprit always having a compassionate lady counsel to plead for him or her. He concluded by deprecating the facile jokes made at the expense of feminine pleaders. "To console those who suffer and those who weep—often this is the lawyer's only role—I know nothing equal to an inteligent, sweet, and indulgent woman." There are now over thirty lady practitioners at the Paris Bar, and most of them are engaged on criminal cases, principally in defence of women and children.

BURDEN OF GERMAN ARMAMENTS.

The "Berliner Tageblatt," in an article on the financial prospects of the coming year, discounts the assurances appearing in the Conservative Press in regard to an upward tendency of the revenue as a result of the Finance Reform of 1909, and comes to the conclusion that even allowing for the drop in new naval construction from four to two capital ships per annum according to the Navy Law, there will still be a deficit of £2,500,000. The "Tageblatt," however, considers it improbable that the first session of the new Reichstag will pass without fresh demands for both army and navy, and anticipates that though the plans for further naval expansion may not yet have assumed a definitive shape, the new Reichstag in all probability will have to deal with another Navy Law next spring. "Perhaps," it continues, "an Army Bill will be presented simultaneously. If we reckon with fresh expenditure on armaments to the extent of £3,000,000 or £3,500,000, the estimate is probably placed too low. If these expectations are realised the Government will have really to Budget for a deficit of £5,500,000, or £6,000,00 although the authorities have no intention of producing a plan for the increase of the Army and Navy till the new Reichstag is elected." The Radical journal appears quite unmoved at the prospect of further military expenditure, and insists only that as fresh taxation will be necessary, it is doubly important that a Liberal Reichstag should be elected which will find the money by means of a far-reaching extension of the Inheritance Tax instead of by indirect imposts which are favoured by the present Parliamentary majority.

EMIGRANTS' EARNINGS.

Possibilities of Mauritius.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

Mr. A. R. Cumming, I. C. S., Protector of Emigrants, Madras, in his report on the returned emigrants from Mauritius by the "Shirala" which arrived here on the 29th October last, says that the emigrants expressed themselves satisfied with the treatment they received both in the Colony and during the voyage. Of the emigrants put on board for Madras, 27 paid their passage and the remaining 183 were carried free: two of the latter died during the voyage.

No mention is made in the nominal roll as to the savings brought by the emigrants who returned at Government expense with the exception of two who brought Rs. 100 and Rs. 130 respectively; but of those who returned at their own expenses fourteen brought savings amounting to Rs. 2,640. There were 208 emigrants for Calcutta.

SNOW IN KASHMIR.

Effect on the Punjab.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

LAHORE, Dec. 16.

On the 11th instant a fall of two feet of snow occurred at Sonemarg and Minimarg in Kashmir, while light snow fell at other places on the North-west hills. As a consequence the temperature has fallen decidedly and a cool wave is advancing across Baluchistan and the Indus Valley into the Punjab.

A CALCUTTA FIND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

It is reported that while some persons were passing by Park Street, near the old burial ground, they kicked against a small heavy paper packet which, when opened, was found to contain thirty-one cartridges the same as used for shooting buck. The ammunition was made over to the Inspector at Collinga Bazar Thana. It is presumed that the cartridges were thrown away by some unknown persons who have no license to keep the same in their possession.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNED.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

The Empire at Peace.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Parliament was prorogued to-day. The King's Speech said :—

"Our relations with Foreign Powers continue to be friendly. I am happy to say that the negotiations between France and Germany, regarding Morocco, a matter in which my Government was concerned by treaty engagements, have been concluded.

"In regard to the war between Italy and Turkey, I have issued a Proclamation, announcing Britain's strict neutrality.

"The deliberations of the Imperial Conference bore witness to the harmony between the United Kingdom and the Dominions, and to the growing consciousness of common interests as well as to the spirit of loyalty and kinship which pervades the Dominions, and adds lustre to my Crown.

"I trust that the labours of the Commission shortly to be appointed to enquire into the trade of the Empire will be fruitful in showing a means of ensuring greater prosperity, and in promoting mutual intercourse between the Dominions.

"The relations between the two Houses have been adjusted by the Parliament Act."

The Speech concluded by expressing great satisfaction in assenting to the Insurance Bill. It also refers to the extension of the benefits of Old Age Pensions, the passing of a Copyright Bill, and certain local measures.

Lord Loreburn read the Speech by Royal Commission, with the usual ceremony due to the occasion.

THE BUDGET.

Effect of Speaker's Decision.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The ruling of the Speaker that the current Budget is not a Money Bill, within the meaning of the Parliament Act, has startled politicians. The Liberals describe it as stultifying the Constitutional settlement of July. The Conservatives say that it justifies the action of the Lords in regard to the Budget of 1909. They praise the commonsense of the Lords in passing the third reading of the Budget, yesterday, for the sake of public convenience.

It appears that the ruling was on account of an unimportant clause amending the powers of the Post Office in relation to stamps.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

Important Resolutions.

THE HAGUE, DEC. 15.

The Opium Conference has adopted the British resolutions recommending the participating Governments to punish persons illegally in possession of morphine; to restrict traffic in such substances to medical and other legitimate purposes, and to take measures to restrict the import and export of morphine and cocaine into participating countries, their colonies, and territories of concession.

The resolutions further urged the speedy convocation of a Conference of the Postal Union to frame regulations respecting the nature of substances transported. It was decided that the resolutions concerning morphine were applicable to medicinal opium and similar narcotics.

THE INSURANCE BILL.

A Belated Protest.

LONDON, DEC. 15.

The House of Commons, to-day, agreed to the minor amendments to the Insurance Bill as passed by the House of Lords.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

A crowded meeting, representing 160 trades, was held in the city, under the presidency of Lord Desborough, to protest against the Insurance Bill.

The speeches were received with enthusiasm, and a resolution of protest was passed unanimously.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

The First Test Match.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The weather was hot and windy for the resumption of the first test match between the M. C. C. and Australia.

There were 35,000 spectators.

The wicket was in good condition.

The Australians completed their first innings for 447. Trumper contributed 113, in an all-round innings, hitting twelve fours. He batted for three hours, 46 minutes. Minnett scored 90, including fourteen fours. He batted for one hour, 51 minutes.

The M. C. C. then went in, and scored 142 for four wickets. Hobbs made 63, not out.

Mr. P. F. Warner.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

A message to the *Daily Mail* from Sydney says it is feared that Warner will be unable to play cricket again.

THE "GEORGES'" GIFT.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The Coronation Fund of the Georges of the Empire, amounts to £3,407 sterling. The King has accepted the badge of the Order of the Garter, and orders the bulk of the sum to be invested to aid able young officers of Marines to meet the cost of their training.

THE "DELHI" WRECK.

British Gratitude to Rescuers.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 15.

In the House of Commons, to-day, Mr. Asquith announced that the British Admiral had expressed to the Captain of the "Friant," our gratitude for the "Friant's" assistance, and our sympathy with their loss. The Admiral had also expressed gratitude for the assistance of the French police at Tangier.

Mr. Asquith repeated his own gratitude, admiration and sympathy.

A message from Tangier states that the body of the boatswain of the "Friant," who lost his life, was placed on a steamer, to-day, to be conveyed to France for burial. An imposing procession accompanied the body to the steamer, headed by the band of the battleship "London," the staffs of the British and French Legations, and British and French Bluejackets.

The Foreign Office published a telegram from the Duke and Duchess of Fife, expressing thanks for all sympathetic messages received.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

The storm continues. Two passengers, Dr. Garrod Thomas, who sustained a fractured leg, and his son have remained on the "Delhi." The baggage is at present safe.

LATER.

The Duke and Duchess of Fife and family are in bed in Tangier, suffering from exhaustion and bruises.

The sea and wind have fallen. Sixty of the "Delhi's" crew have been landed in a breeches-buoy. Forty are remaining on board to get off the bullion and specie.

Queen Mother's Gift to Victims.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

Queen Alexandra has given £100 in aid of the families of the victims of the "Friant."

LONDON, DEC. 17.

The P. and O. Company announces that the Captain of the "Delhi" hopes the vessel will be reflated with the return of fine weather.

TANGIER, DEC. 17.

The Duke of Fife and his daughters walked out yesterday. The Princess Royal is still suffering from fatigue. The Royal party has recovered a small portion of its baggage.

British bluejackets are working their hardest to save the baggage, the sea rendering the work most difficult and preventing salvage boats from being used.

King George has wired to President Fallieres expressing his warmest thanks for the services of the bluejackets of the "Friant," and his sympathy with the victims.

SUFFRAGIST MEETING IN LONDON.

Mr. Lloyd George Seriously Assaulted.

LONDON, DEC. 17.

A meeting was held in London yesterday to inaugurate a campaign in support of the introduction into the House of Commons of an amendment to the Franchise Bill in favour of the giving of vote to women.

The meeting was addressed by Sir Edward Grey and Mr. Lloyd George.

The police were posted to protect the glass roof and the windows were barricaded in order to prevent an outrage on the part of the militant Suffragettes who paraded outside the buildings carrying the banner which depicted Mr. Lloyd George as "Bluebeard."

Sir Edward Grey said that the democracy would be incomplete until women had votes; but it was impossible to embody the provision in a bill owing to differences in that connection in the Cabinet, which would break up.

Mr. Lloyd George said he was confident the House of Commons would accept thee mendment unless its sympathies were alienated by acts of violence.

As Mr. Lloyd George was leaving the meeting, a male Suffragist threw a brass-bound despatch box at him. The Chancellor's lip was cut and one of his eyes seriously injured. The doctor says Mr. Lloyd George had a narrow escape of losing the eye.

INDIANS IN A CANADA.

A Sympathetic Decision.

OTTAWA, DEC. 15.

The Canadian Government has decided to permit the immigration of wives and families of Indians, mostly Sikhs, who have settled, to the number of 4,000 in Western Canada.

A Commission will be sent to the West, to investigate the conditions, and report to the Minister of the Interior, before any relaxation of the Continous Passage Regulations is considered.

SCAFFOLD IN A THEATRE.

An Extraordinary Execution.

LONDON, DEC. 16.

As rain incommoded the spectators in the prison yard, a negro preacher was hanged on a gallows erected in an Opera House at Jackson, Georgia, in the presence of the kinsmen and friends of a planter, whom the negro had shot in a riot. The trap door in the stage was used as a drop.

BILLIARDS.

Gray Beats Stevenson.

LONDON, DEC. 17.

The first of a series of billiard matches between George Gray and H. W. Stevenson, has resulted in the victory of Gray, the scores being, Gray 18,000, Stevenson, 17,364.

PERSIA AND RUSSIA.

The Porte's Intervention.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DEC. 17.

There have recently appeared statements in the Press to the effect that the Turkish army is mobilising in Asia Minor on behalf of Persia.

The Foreign Minister announced in the Chamber of Deputies in Constantinople yesterday that Russia had recognised Turkey's right to interest herself in Persia and that a Russo-Turkish accord had been reached concerning Persia's political and territorial independence.

The Minister said Turkey believed in the sincerity of Russian declarations. Moreover, Persian integrity has been secured by the Anglo-Russian Convention.

CONSTANTINOPLE, DEC. 17.

The statement of the Foreign Minister on the subject of Persia was the result of telegrams from the Persian Parliament and Persians in Calcutta and Bombay, addressed to the Ottoman Parliament.

With reference to Russia's action the Minister said that the Porte had tendered friendly advice to Teheran, recommending moderation in view of removing misunderstanding.

The Porte had simultaneously sent instructions to the Ottoman Ambassadors at the Courts interested in Persia. As a result of those instructions, M. Tcharykoff, the Russian Ambassador in Constantinople, had declared that Russia regretted she had been compelled to adopt the measures in Persia, but the responsibility rested with Persia herself. The measures, were, however, provisional and would be recalled so soon as satisfaction had been obtained. The Minister then continued as already reported.

He further said that he and the Russian Ambassador had taken a note of their complete understanding on the subject of Persia and concluded by expressing the strong hope that there would be, shortly, an amicable settlement between Russia and Persia.

He added that the Persian Ambassador had thanked the Porte in the name of his Government for its effort.

The Chamber was satisfied with the statement.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 17.

The *Pioneer's* London correspondent wires that the *Times* Teheran message states that two hundred Indian sowars at Shiraz are without supplies owing to the boycott. It seems that there is no course open but to seize the supply. Government's general orders from Teheran are to stop the boycott, but apparently the Mullas are controlling the situation. A collision is possible at any moment between the Turks and the Russians on the Turco-Persian frontier. It is believed at Teheran that the return of M. Segonoff to St. Petersburg will have a steadying effect on the Russian policy. The Persian Cabinet under Russian pressure has endeavoured to induce a sufficient number of Deputies to resign in order to leave the Mejliss without a quorum, but so far the attempt is unsuccessful.

The same correspondent also wires:—"Lord Roberts, in a letter to the press on National Defence, says, In many most important respect the regular army is not fitted for war and British rifle is inferior to the French and German equipment, artillery is unsatisfactory, and in aviation we are behind other nations. With regard to the territorials he finds it difficult to write temperately. It is impossible for the citizen under the present condition to acquire the necessary discipline and skill in shooting. Extravagant eulogies lavished upon the territorial are discreditable alike to politicians and soldiers who utter them. Lord Roberts appeals to the members of Parliament, especially to the leaders to consider the subject from patriotic standpoint."

TURCO-ITALIAN WAR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MOMBASA, DEC. 16.

Owing to the hostility of the Mahomedans at Zanzibar, Italian mail boats have ceased calling there.

OLD BOMBAY EXHIBITION.

Reduction of Prices.

On Saturday night the prices of entrance to the Exhibition of Old Bombay was reduced to eight annas and in consequence a larger crowd than usual passed the turnstiles to enjoy "the fun of the fair." The entertainments at the Dhobi Talao end were well patronised and the Electric Fountain was playing. In the Stadium "Y" Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, who looked resplendent in their full dress uniforms, delighted a large crowd of onlookers by their dexterity in a musical drive which as well as being artistically appealing was undeniably exciting. The wheeling at the gallop and the final gallop in the straight were productive of enthusiastic cheers. The gymnastic display by the R. Warwickshire Regiment was cleverly gone through and is evidently the outcome of careful training. A riding display including gymnastics on horseback was also given by the men of the 7th Dragoon Guards. In the afternoon the final of the quarter-mile race was won by sepoy Ramand Sukul of the 1st Brahmans in 57 secs. The bands of the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment, the B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteers and H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore's Karnatic Band played programmes of music at stated intervals during the afternoon and evening.

At the open air Theatre, the Amateur Dramatic Club of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, who have already pleased the Bombay public with their clever and humorous productions, presented a musical sketch, composed by Lce-Cpl Kilner entitled a "Night in Japan". The theme of the piece is on the lines of the "Geisha" and represents he call of a British ship at a Japanese port where all the sailors fall in love at the time-honoured tea garden, but much to their inconvenience eventually find they have to return to England. The leading lady's part, Petti Sing, is taken by Lieut. Johnson of the corps, while Lce Cpl Kilner represents Mr. Jack and officer of the ship "Wildfire". The vocal items are well rendered and Pte. Grundy as Boswin Sheppard sang a nautical song entitled "Silvery Sea" effectually. The two duets between Mr. Jack and Petti Sing, "Wont you sit out this Dance?" an "Take me up" were appreciated by the audiences as was a comic song "Traders' Nances" by Pte Grundy "Round the Bandstand in the Park" sung by Lce-Cpl Kilner, accompanied by a chorus, was well-received the movements of the chorus being effective. The final chorus representing the return of the sailors to England finishes a pleasant little sketch.

THE Bombay Radio Office came in touch with the Indian Transport vessel "Dongola" at 12-30 on Sunday. She will arrive in Bombay about 3 p. m. to-day Radio Messages will be accepted.

BANK OF BURMA.

The Directors' Explanation.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, DEC. 16.

The adjourned extraordinary meeting of the Bank of Burma, Ltd., was held here to-day at 11 o'clock on the Bank premises for the purpose of considering the resolution of voluntarily winding up the business of the Bank.

Mr. G. S. Clifford was in the chair and about a dozen directors were present, also eighty shareholders, and other proxies for seven thousand shares were represented.

The Chairman set out at length the circumstances leading up to the suspension of the bank. For some time prior to the date of closing, the directors had been anxiously concerned at the rapid depreciation in the market values of securities held by the bank, and as to the question of the loan to the liquidators of the Rangoon Refining Company, which had been expected would be paid off immediately, but which the liquidators were unable to pay. This necessitated the bank taking all the securities they possessed, namely 135,000 British Burma Petroleum Company's shares which represented Rs. 4,55,600 showing a loss of Rs. 80,25,000. On November 10th the directors were faced with a loss of over eight lakhs and an estimated shortage of some eighteen lakhs in securities. Since then the directors had put up a report showing loans and overdrafts amounting to Rs. 1,12,25,000. Of this nearly Rs. 34,00,000 are unsecured.

Depressed Market.

The chairman emphasised the fact that the bank stopped payment, not because the public had lost confidence in it, not because its business was decreasing, not because it was run upon, or short of funds, and not on account of any defalcation or misappropriation having been committed; but because the directors found themselves faced by an abnormally depressed market as was the case with practically every market in the world. This affected every security in the country and showed depreciation in the nominal value of those held by the Bank, and the directors did not feel justified in accepting further deposits.

While admitting that the directors must stand charged with want of foresight, and of being over-confident in their estimate of the vitality of the market, he did not for a moment admit that their estimation, or the real and ultimate value of the securities held by the bank, was wrong. He laid great stress on the importance of the estimate of the possible or potential value of the bank's securities being accepted by all concerned, more especially by the liquidator in whose hands would be the interests of the depositors and shareholders. The bank's shares in the British Burma Petroleum Company, which have been valued for purchase on their account at 4s. 6d, their par value being one pound sterling, less than one year ago, were dealt with separately. Recovery in the market value of these shares to within 50 per cent. of the par value would alone secure the depositors and share-holders against any loss whatever. He might show further very conclusively that in suspending payment, while their financial position and credit might still be considered sound, they were acting constitutionally and honourably. All he might say must be taken as prejudiced and it was wiser to leave it to the liquidator to decide whether the bank's funds had been unwisely invested.

The Cash Balance.

In this connection he had only to add that their cash balance and the Government paper available was Rs. 18,00,000 which would permit the liquidators immediately to distribute to depositors 15 per cent. on the amount of their deposits. The directors had decided it was out of place here to comment on or refute the venomous attacks made on the bank and the directors through the medium of a section of the press. Justification or otherwise of the directors' action could be left to the liquidators.

The following resolution was then carried.—"That it has been proved to the satisfaction of the bank that it cannot by reason of its liabilities continue its business, and to wind up, and that the bank be wound up voluntarily"

Mr. I. A. Hamid suggested that proper liquidators be appointed who, should ascertain when and what kind of defalcations there are, and to lay the whole affair before the directors, and that periodical meetings be held in January to enable them to carry out their investigations thoroughly. This found no seconder.

The following resolution was carried on the motion of Mr. Okeden, seconded by Mr. Mower, that Mr. Ferguson, and Mr. Holsworth of Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Harris be appointed joint liquidators for the purpose of winding up the business, and in particular to investigate and to prepare and submit to the shareholders and depositors a preliminary report. Thereafter to continue as sole liquidators with a remuneration as follows, :—Mr. Ferguson at Rs. 150 per day, up to a maximum of Rs. 5,000 in addition to travelling and hotel expenses. To Mr. Holsworth Rs. 1,500 per month up to June 30th, 1912 and there after as may be arranged.

The meeting then adjourned.

THE KHULNA EXPLOSION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

In connection with the explosion in the Khulna District Board Office, causing the death of a cooly, it has transpired that it was a pure accident. Certain ingredients necessary for fire works on Coronation Day were left behind through a mistake, and these exploded. The District Magistrate of Khulna has ordered a sum of Rs. 100 to be paid to the wife of the deceased, out of the Coronation funds as he was working in this connection in the District Broad Office.

THE END OF THE DURBAR.

SCENES AT THE DEPARTURES OF THEIR MAJESTIES.

FURTHER GREAT OVATIONS.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 17.

Their Majesties made their State departure from Delhi this morning, His Majesty leaving by train from Salimgarh for his shooting trip in Nepal, a minute or two after one o'clock. The departure, although it was the occasion of a gay and glittering procession, was not a similar scene of magnificence to the State entry, for it was shorn of the splendid presence of the Ruling Chiefs who paid their adieus to Their Majesties personally, before they left the Royal Camp in the Audience Chamber. The Chiefs arrived at the Royal Camp at about a quarter to eleven, and were marshalled in the Audience Chamber, through which Their Majesties, announced by a flourish of trumpets, passed. The names of the Chiefs were separately called by the Master of Ceremonies and each Ruler made the usual reverence.

The State procession was formed almost immediately. The 13th Hussars led the way, followed by a Battery of Royal Horse Artillery, officers of Army Headquarters, trumpeters, and heralds. Behind, there rode the Staff of the King-Emperor on horseback, then the bodyguard and, immediately preceding the Royal carriage, the household Cavalry orderlies. The King, in the uniform of a Field-Marshal and the Queen, gowned in pale blue, drove together, while the Imperial Cadet Corps occupied their usual position immediately behind the carriages and the whole was completed by 11th (Native) Lancers, a splendid regiment who made a gallant show both of men and horses. It was a brilliant cavalcade, but no more so than the people now assembled in Delhi have been accustomed to see daily. However, large crowds, both European and Native turned out to see it pass, and, especially on the Ridge, Their Majesties were loudly cheered.

AT THE STATION.

They entered the fort by the Lahore Gate, where their trumpeters sounded a flourish, and a band played the National Anthem. This announced to those who were waiting for Their Majesties' arrival at the station that they were nearly approaching and almost at the same moment the first reports of the Royal Salute boomed from a battery in the Gulering Selimgarh Bastion. The cavalcade was escorted only by the Dragoons and the Imperial Cadet Corps and these formed up in the rear of three guards-of-honour from the Rajputana-Malwa Railway Volunteers, the Durham Light Infantry, and the 53rd Sikhs. Opposite the entrance to the station a group of many high officers, Civil, Naval and Military, awaited Their Majesties at the foot of the steps. Among them were the Governors, Lieut.-Governors, Sir John Hewett, the Naval and Military Commanders-in-Chief and at their head, of course, Lord Hardinge who was accompanied by Lady Hardinge and their daughter. They had arrived about ten minutes earlier in a State carriage and escorted by the First Dragoon Guards. Their Majesties immediately alighted and after spending a minute or two in conversation with some of the officers who had awaited them, the King inspected the three guards-of-honour afterwards on the steps leading to the platform. Their Majesties shook hands with all the principal officials present, and then passed on to the platform. This had been decorated with extraordinary effect and presented a charming appearance, garnished as it was in every direction with cool fresh palms and foliage. In the centre, a shamiana had been erected and beneath it was spread a rich Oriental carpet. Here Their Majesties remained about ten minutes, bidding goodbye to the European officers and their wives and also to the Ruling Chiefs. Among those who had audience of Their Majesties were the Maharana of Udaipur, the Maharajah Scindia of Gwalior, the Maharajah of Bikaner and the Nawab of Rampur. The last to whom the King said goodbye were Lord and Lady Hardinge and, finally, Her Majesty. He then stepped briskly into the train and, standing at the salute at his carriage door, as the train steamed out, he was given a rousing cheer by all who were upon the platform.

LADY HARDINGE HONOURED.

Her Majesty departed about five minutes after in the opposite direction for Agra. The interval she spent in conversation with Lady Hardinge and some principal officers, and then bade the Governor-General and his wife good-bye, Lady Hardinge being permitted to kiss Her Majesty's cheek. The Queen then stepped into the train and also received a splendid cheer as she bowed her farewells from the entrance of her carriage.

Almost immediately the third train came in, in which Lord and Lady Hardinge with the Hon. Diamond Hardinge left for DehraDun, and the last of the ceremonies with this epoch-making Durbar were at an end. Governors, Lieut.-Governors, and all people, high and low, went back to camp to pack and make ready for their own departures, either to-night or to-morrow.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 17.

Since last evening there has been a great rush of passengers from Delhi and many Chiefs and guests left last night. The members of the Governor General's Council are leaving this morning. Sir John Hewett left last night and will enjoy a few days well earned rest near Mirzapur. The camps are already looking deserted, but many will prolong their stay here to avoid the rush. A special train with the young Chiefs, mainly students of the Mayo College, left for Ajmer last night. The Coronation gold medals were presented to the Chiefs yesterday.

THE NEW CAPITAL.

SPEECH BY HIS MAJESTY.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 16.

His Imperial Majesty made the following reply to His Excellency the Governor-General's speech at the laying of the foundation stone of the new capital of India :—

It is a matter of supreme satisfaction to the Queen-Empress and myself that it has been possible for us before leaving Delhi, to lay the first stones of the Imperial capital which will arise from where we now stand. This is the first step to give material effect to the important announcement which it was my pleasure to make on that magnificent and, to us, deeply impressive occasion of my Coronation Durbar, three days ago. I earnestly hope that the anticipation of the beneficial and far-reaching results from the great changes now to be effected, may be amply fulfilled securing to India improved administration and to its people increased happiness and prosperity. It is my desire that the planning and design of the public buildings to be erected will be considered with the greatest deliberation and care so that the new creation may be in every way worthy of this ancient and beautiful city. May God's blessings rest upon the work which is so happily inaugurated to-day.

THE CALCUTTA PRESS.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

Referring to the Viceroy's speech made yesterday, at Delhi, the "Statesman" says :—"The speech was obviously intended to be an answer to criticisms with which the Durbar announcement has been assailed. This is not a defence ; it is a confession of cowardice. The Government of India were afraid to face the storm of criticism, which they knew their scheme would arouse, and therefore they matured their plans in secrecy and then invoked the authority of the King to give effect to their private opinions. If it is true as Lord Hardinge says in another portion of his speech, that the King's decision in favour of the scheme was taken constitutionally upon the advice of his Ministers, then those Ministers have no right to make use of the personality of the King on such a solemn occasion to win support for their advice."

The "Englishman" says :—"We believe we are voicing the general opinion when we say that all talk of indignation meetings and monster petitions should be deferred till after our visitors and our guests have left Calcutta. A small representative body might of course attempt to make a temperate and dignified appeal to His Majesty, but Calcutta is very well aware that demonstrations in the broader sense of the word would be unseemly and mischievous while the King is here."

KING AND THE PRESS.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 16.

Last evening Brigadier General Birdwood, A.D.C. to the King-Emperor visited the Indian Press Camp and gave a message of thanks and good wishes from Their Imperial Majesties. Dewan Bahadur C. Karunakar Menon, the oldest editor, speaking on behalf of his brother journalists, asked the General to convey their loyal and dutiful greetings to Their Majesties for their gracious solicitude in their welfare.

Sir James DaBoulay also visited the Camp and gave a similar message from Lord Hardinge which elicited a most cordial and hearty response.

After dinner Mr. Alma Latifi, C.S., gave the loyal toast and then Mr. Mohammad Ali, the youngest Editor in the Camp, eulogised the services of the camp officers and made the following presentation on behalf of the Press :—A silver tea service to Mr. A. Latifi, C. S.; a silver flower-stand to Khan Bahadur Qasi Azzizuddin ; a silver "pandan" to Manik Lal Joshi.

MORE FIRES.

Lahore, Dec. 16.

With reference to the fire which occurred in the Royal Camp at Delhi during the progress of the Investiture on Thursday night it now transpires that it was due to the carelessness of a bicycle peon who, while taking a message to Mr. Lucas, rested his machine against the side of the tent and the fire from his lamp set fire to the canvas.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 16.

A small fire broke out in the Hyderabad Camp yesterday and the Minister's tent was burnt. It is believed that all the official papers were saved, but the personal effects of His Excellency were destroyed.

SIR LOUIS DANE.

Sir Louis Dane, Lady Dane and the Misses Dane will leave Kingsway station by a special train on Monday night, and arrive at Ludhiana on Tuesday morning. A short halt will be made at Ludhiana to enable Lady Dane to open the exhibition of the Boarding House of the American School of Medicine for Women. His Honor's special train will arrive at Lahore on the same day in the afternoon. Sir Louis will spend two or three days at Balokoi.

Owing to work connected with the coming transfer of the capital of India from Calcutta to Delhi His Honor has been compelled to cancel his projected tour in the Montgomery and Muzaffargarh Districts and return to Delhi about the 5th of January.

CALCUTTA "NATIONALISTS."

EFFECT OF THE CHANGES.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

A crowded meeting of Nationalists was held here this afternoon when Mr. Bepin Chunder Pal explained the position of his party in regard to the change of policy in Government announced at the Delhi Durbar. He said that the nationalists should no longer keep themselves aloof from the Government on account of the change of circumstances. After thanking Lord Hardinge for his recent despatch he said the Viceroy had granted them the administrative authority which the nationalists had been advocating for the last seven years. He said that henceforth the executive would be subject to the local councils, controlled by the Imperial Government. That was their real Magna Charta granted by the King and for which they should pay homage to the Emperor. In conclusion the whole heartily supported the transfer of the capital to Delhi.

MADRAS AND THE BOONS.

MADRAS, DEC. 16.

In pursuance of an influentially signed requisition, a public meeting of the citizens of Madras will be held on Monday to express grateful thanks to the Emperor for his sympathy, and for the boons conferred on the occasion of the Coronation Durbar. Sir Subramania Iyer will preside and among those who will take part are Dewan Bahadur K. Krishnaswamy Rao, Dewan Bahador M. Audiarayaniah, Dewan Bahadur P. Rajarathnam Moodeliar, Hon. Dewan Bahadur L. A. Gobindaraghava Iyer, Khan Bahadur Ghulam Mahammad Mahajir, Dr. T. M. Nair and others.

ANOTHER RUMOUR.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

A rumour seems to be gaining ground that His Majesty, when in Calcutta, will make an announcement which will further strengthen the ties binding the Royal family to India. It is stated that the Prince of Wales will be invested with a new title—that of the Crown Prince of India.

THE GAEKWAR'S LOYALTY.

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 15.

The following Communique is published with a view to removing an unfortunate impression about the ceremony of the Durbar, on the 12th instant. The Viceroy with the consent of His Highness the Gaekwar of Baroda has authorised the publication of the following letter received by His Excellency on the 14th December :—

"Dear Lord Hardinge,—I hear that the manner in which I paid homage to His Imperial Majesty, the King-Emperor has been the subject of unfavourable comment. I take the earliest opportunity of writing to you to explain what actually occurred, and to assure you that the very last thing I intended or could ever intend was to do anything that could displease His Imperial Majesty or lead him or anyone else to doubt the reality of my loyalty and allegiance to his Throne and person. To the British Government, the Baroda State owes everything and to that Government my State and myself personally will always be truly grateful and loyal. When approaching and returning from the dais at the Durbar, I am said to have failed to observe the exact etiquette prescribed. If this was the case it was due entirely to nervousness and confusion in the presence of Their Imperial Majesties, and, before that assembly, only one Chief, the Nizam, had made obeisance before me, and I had not had the opportunity of noticing others, and, in fact, in the confusion of the moment had hardly been able to note the details of what the Nizam did after bowing. I receded a few steps and turned round to ask which way I was to go. I was under the impression that I actually descended by the proper passage, but I am told that I did not. Having turned round to ask the way, I became confused and continued to walk forward. For this, I say, how sincerely sorry I am. I also hear that the letter I sent about the programme for my reception by His Imperial Majesty on the 7th, has been unfavourably received. If that be so, I hope you will believe that I had no desire at all to offer, and if you wish it, I will withdraw the letter unconditionally. I rather meant it as a friendly suggestion, and my great desire was to do any little thing possible to increase the popularity of the King-Emperor's visit. The courtesy and kindliness with which His Imperial Majesty received me has left a deep impression upon me. May I request Your Excellency to convey the purport of this letter to His Imperial Majesty, and to assure him of my true loyalty and devotion. I shall also be glad, if Lord Crewe could see what I have written, so that he may be under no misapprehension as to my attitude and feelings."

LORD CREWE'S MESSAGE.

CORONATION, DEC. 15.

The following Press Communique is issued :—"The Marquis of Crewe regrets that in consequence of the destruction of his papers by the fire that occurred on the 14th instant, in the tent of his Private Secretary, it is impossible for him to send individual acknowledgements to the numerous correspondents from all parts of India, who have sent him letters and telegrams of welcome and other communications at Delhi. His Lordship, therefore, trusts that his correspondents and well-wishers will accept from him a general expression of hearty thanks and appreciation."

THE KING OF NEPAL.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 16.

"The Statesman" to-day publishes the following :—"A report has been received in Calcutta, that the King of Nepal died on Sunday last, from cirrhosis of the liver. Credibility is lent to the report by the fact that a short time ago the King was known to be very dangerously ill. On enquiry at the Foreign Office, yesterday our representative was informed that no news or communication had been received by them, regarding the death of the Rajah of Nepal."

CALCUTTA, DEC. 17.

A correspondent wires to the "Statesman" from the Delhi Durbar Camp:—"I am informed on good authority that the report of the death of the King of Nepal is true. This will not however, interfere with the King Emperor's shoot, a request having been received from the Nepal authorities that none of the arrangements for the shooting expedition should be interfered with. It is understood that official mourning ceremonies for the late King are to be postponed until after the conclusion of the King-Emperor's visit."

CALCUTTA, DEC. 17.

The following telegram was sent to the Private Secretary to the Governor-General by Mr. Bepin Chunder Pal :—"As a humble worker in the Nationalist cause, I have the honour to submit to His Excellency for communication to His Most Gracious Majesty the King-Emperor my sincere and loyal congratulation for his gracious Durbar Proclamation announcing the reunion of the two Bengals, and for extending his Royal clemency to many of my brothers who were suffering incarceration in His Majesty's jails. I beg also to convey to His Excellency our gratitude for the enunciation of a truly wise and statesmanly policy of real conciliation and peaceful progress in pursuit of which His Excellency may be assured of the cordial and loyal support of the general body of Nationalists in the country."

CORONATION DURBAR, DEC. 17.

A press communique states that the Maharaja Dhiraj of Nepal who had been suffering from cirrhosis of the liver since last July died on the 11th December after expressing a wish that nothing should be done to interfere with the projected visit of His Majesty to Nepal. The succession of the late Maharaja Dhiraja's son and heir has been announced and mourning ceremonies will be completed before His Majesty is due to arrive in Nepal. The Prime Minister expressed an earnest hope that His Imperial Majesty would carry out his intention of visiting Nepal and added that it would be a very great disappointment to his people as well as to himself if the Nepal Durbar were deprived a second time of the honour of receiving His Majesty In the circumstances and in accordance with the wishes of the Nepalese Royal Family and the Government His Imperial Majesty has decided to fulfil his engagement.

A NOTABLE WELCOME.

Coronation Durbar, Dec. 17.

Yesterday morning select representatives of the heads of Hindus, Mahomedans and Sikhs, headed by the Maharaja Bahadur of Durbhanga were presented to Their Imperial Majesties at the King's Camp. They were those who took part in the prayer offering ceremony for their Imperial Majesties on the 13th. His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab first of all presented and introduced to Their Imperial Majesties the Maharajah Bahadur of Durbhanga : then were presented Shri Sankaracharyya of Goberdhen, Muttra; Mahamahopadhyayas Sinakimar Sastri, Chitradhar Misra; Krishna Sinha Thakur and the heads of other Hindu sects and the leading pandits. Then the heads of the Mahomedan sects were presented followed by those of the Sikhs.

The Hindu heads uttered a benediction and presented benedictory verses specially composed for the occasion and Their Majesties gladly received the same.

The Mahomedan heads also presented benedictory verses enclosed in a handsome cover and the Sikhs presented the emblem of their faith enclosed in a beautiful cover.

TWO BESANT STORIES.

BENARES, Dec. 17.

A largely attended meeting of the citizens of Benares was held yesterday evening in the Nagri Pracharini Sabha Hall and the following resolution was passed.—

"That this meeting offers its humble and most grateful thanks to His Imperial Majesty the King-Emperor for the splendid boon conferred by him on his Indian Empire healing the wounds of the past and ensuring the prosperity of the future.

Mrs. Besant in the course of her speech described the boons in detail and the benefits that were to accrue therefrom. She observed that at the time of the State Entry into Delhi His Majesty was surrounded by Princes and high officers and lest some harm should happen the latter closed around him. Constantly the people could not distinguish their King. On learning this His Majesty declared that the Royal Standard should accompany him wherever he went and the golden umbrella held over him so that people might know that he had no fear of being guarded by Indian hearts. On another occasion, at the semi-final of the Polo match, the King-Emperor was walking alone and a tremendous rush of poor country people came to catch a glimpse of him from near.

The police and soldiers began kicking the crowd away. The King stopped them at once and told them to let the people go as near to him as they liked. On a voice coming forth, "Stand till I look at you" His Majesty stood there. This showed the heart of a man who loved and trusted his people.

Referring to the partition she remarked that had she then the whole of India and his Majesty's will was that the act of wrong inflicted on Bengal should no longer exist in the land and embitter the hearts of the people. She further said that no longer the 17th of October shall be kept as a day of mourning, but December 12th shall take its place as a day of universal rejoicing. A memory of gratitude shall take the place

of anger and bitterness. The Government which refused to correct the mistake made or heal the wound caused by the short-sighted and narrow policy of officers was unworthy of its name. Great Britain was Greater Britain to-day by the redressal of this mistake and there was no injury to prestige.

In conclusion she remarked that India was no less grateful to the Viceroy who was brave enough to advise such a policy in face of difficulties. His name would be linked along with that of His Imperial Majesty in the history of the Indian Empire when the past had closed upon them.

A copy of the resolution was wired to the King's Private Secretary and also communicated to the Viceroy.

COURT CIRCULAR.

[By Wire.]

AGRA, Dec. 16.

The Queen Empress left Delhi by train from the Selimgarh Station for Agra at 1-30 p.m. attended by the Duchess of Devonshire, the Earl and Countess of Shaftesbury, the Honble Venetia Baring, Major-General Sir Stuart Beatson, Lieut.-Col. Bird, Major Money, Captain Hill and the Hon'ble John Fortescue.

On arrival at the Agra Cantonment Station Her Imperial Majesty was received by Mr Reynolds, Commissioner for the Province of Agra, and drove to the Circuit House, which had been prepared for her reception.

An escort was furnished by the 13th Hussars under the command of Captain Harvey.

Guards of honour were mounted at the station by the 13th Rajputs and at the Circuit House by the 18th Royal Irish Regiment. Her Imperial Majesty visited the Taj Mahal in the evening.

MOFUSSIL CELEBRATIONS.

SAVANTVADI.

Tuesday was a day of grand rejoicing in the State. The festivities began here on Durbar day with the fitting announcement of the concessions granted to the prisoners.

At noon a Durbar was held in the Durbar Hall. Extensive invitations were issued, and the building was crowded to suffocation, as also the beautiful galleries overhead which were occupied by ladies. Punctually at the appointed hour, the Raja Bahadur, the Sar Desai Saheb, arrived and was received at the entrance by all the principal officers of the State. After an interval of five minutes the arrival of Major Pettinger, Political Agent, was marked by a salute of 11 guns. The Durbar began with a short but thoughtful speech by the Political Agent. The speech was warmly applauded.

At the conclusion, Major Pottinger read the King's Proclamation, the whole assembly standing. At its conclusion a spontaneous shout of "God save the King" was raised by all present. The Proclamation having been read, its Marathi translation was read by the State Karbhari. This was followed by a Royal salute of 101 guns, and a feu-de-joie, the assembly again standing. The Sar Desai Saheb then addressed a few words in which he recounted the several blessings which Pax Britannica had poured on the people of India generally and on the Princes and Chiefs of Native States in particular, and gratefully referred to the fact of his having been given control of certain department of the State.

INDI.

The Durbar was celebrated at Indi, District Bijapur, with great pomp under the presidentship of Mr. G. G. Desai, Deputy Collector, N. D. In the morning, photos of Their Imperial Majesties were carried in a procession from the Town Chavadi to the Taluka Katchery in a decorated palanquin. Coronation trees were planted in different places in the town and Coronation medals distributed to the school-children.

At mid-day, the Proclamation was read by the District Deputy Collector in the Durbar grounds, when the Police Guard-of-Honour gave the Royal salute and fired a feu-de-joie.

At 2 p. m., nearly 1,200 deserving poor were fed, and some of them were given clothes. In the afternoon, feats and sports for the school children were arranged for and the District Deputy Collector, Mr. Desai, gave to each of those taking part a picture of Their Majesties as a souvenir of the day. Sweetmeats were also given to all the children assembled.

A bon-fire was lighted on an old bastion in the town at 7 p. m. A torch-light procession started at about 8 30 p.m., where with the palanquin containing the picture of Their Majesties was again taken round all throughout the town and at all the principal temples and mosques on the way suitable prayers were offered.

BANGALORE.

A correspondent writes:—A Coronation Durbar Fete was held in the grounds of the Indian Institute of Science on Monday, the 11th instant, with a view to enabling all those connected with the Institute to celebrate the auspicious event. The fete was a great success and provided excellent entertainment for over a thousand spectators who had gathered to witness the celebrations. The football ground of the Institute was fenced in for the purpose; tents were pitched, and arrangements were made for European and Indian refreshments. The students of the electrical department had the place brilliantly lit with a number of electric lamps, and portraits of Their Imperial Majesties, which were illuminated from behind, were exhibited with great effect. The programme commenced with athletic sports, which comprised the usual items of obstacle race, sack race, blindfold race, bucket and potato race, tug-of-war, flat race, and hurdle race. A novel feature was a bullock cart race which created much amusement. Money prizes were presented to the winners. The ladies who were present very kindly distributed to the children assembled a large number of Coronation medals which had been purchased by the Institute for the purpose. Medals were also distributed to all persons to whom tickets had been given for admission to the fete, and all children were presented with two-anna pieces.

In the absence of Dr. Morris Travers, the Director of the Institute, who had been invited to attend the Durbar at Delhi, Prof. Rudolf, who with the other members of the staff of the Institute, exercised much thought and care in making the necessary arrangements for the fete, delivered in English and in fluent Urdu a short address fitting the occasion and recalling to the minds of all present the significance of the great event and the benefits of British rule in India.

There was then a grand display of of fireworks, for which, as well as for the sports, Mr. Miller, the Engineer of the Institute, had made excellent arrangements. Mr. Skipp, the contractor, defrayed the cost of feeding a large number of his workmen and distributing money presents to their children. A detachment of the station police was present and helped to keep the crowd in order. With the co-operation of all those concerned with the Institute, the fete was a thoroughly successful one, and all those who were present spent a very enjoyable evening.

In connection with the fete, Professor Rudolf generously offered a cup to be competed for in a handicap tennis tournament (singles), in which the professors and students took part. The finals took place on the evening of the 13th instant, and Mr. P. Subba Rao, a student of the electrical department of the Institute, was the winner.

HANSAT.

The Delhi Durbar Coronation day was celebrated as a great festival by the members of the Union Club. The club-house was finely decorated and Royal portraits were garlanded. Union flags were hoisted on the club-roof. All the members attended their temples in the morning to pray for long life and good blessings to their Imperial Majesties. The Durbar procession arrived near the club-house at 11-13 a.m. and the photograph of the King-Emperor then placed in a palanquin and garlanded by Mr. Bhagu-bhai P. Desai, President of the Union Club. Three cheers were given. Musical instruments were kept playing in the afternoon. In the evening the Mahalkari Sahib visited the club and was pleased to see the decorations and lights of the club-house. A telegram of congratulations and deep loyalty to their Imperial Majesties was despatched that day at Delhi.

BOMBAY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Kanara Catholic Association, Bombay, was held on Delhi Coronation day. The proceedings were most enthusiastic and the following resolution was recorded and telegraphed to the Private Secretary to His Majesty the King-Emperor:—"The members of the Kanara Catholic Association, assembled at an extraordinary general meeting on this most memorable and auspicious day of the Delhi Coronation Durbar, join the rest of the Indian Empire in humbly tendering their dutiful and devoted homage to Their Imperial Majesties the King-Emperor and the Queen-Empress and in giving expression to their profound sense of loyalty to British Rule."

DURBAR BOXING.

THE FINALS.

CORONATION DURBAR, Dec. 15.

The finals of the Delhi Durbar Boxing Tournament were contested to-night before a full house. Results:—

HEAVY WEIGHTS.

Capt. Kirkwood, (23rd Cavalry) versus Lieut. Darley, (R. F. A.). The latter had the best of every round showing himself the more scientific fighter and a straight hitter, and won comfortably pinoats.

MIDDLE WEIGHTS (6-round contest.)

Sergt. Chivers, (Essex-Regt.), versus Rfm. Curzon, (4th K. R. R. Corps). Two of the best Middle-weights in India. The first round was very close, very slightly in favour of Chivers. Second round very even. Third round in favour of Curzon who just won on points. This was the best fight of the tournament and said to be Chivers' first defeat in India.

Lieut. C. C. Darley, (R.F.A.) versus Lieut Carter, (R. G. A.) Darley had the best of the first round but Carter woke up in the second and punished his man in the third round. Carter was repeatedly knocked down, but he refused to give up although practically knocked out. The referee stopped the fight in the third round awarding it to Lieut Darley.

Gunner Masters versus Gunner Marks. A very poor fight. No hitting, Masters won the spar.

LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Lieut. Carlisle, (107th Pioneers) vs. Capt. R. C. Williams, R. F. A.) The latter led off hitting hard and gaining several points, Towards the end of the round he was tired. The same thing happened in each round and Lieut. Carlisle, being in better training, took his early punishment and won.

Cpl. Shephard, (Royal West Kent Regiment,) versus Cpl. Russell Royal Wess Kent Regiment. An indifferent fight. Russell took a lot of punishment very pluckily. Shephard won.

6-round contest. Lce. Cpl. Reynolds, (Connaught Rangers) versus Pte. Christian, (Lancashire) Fusiliers. First round was slightly in favour of Christian, and the second round much more so, Reynolds only saved by time. Third round still more so, Reynold being just saved by time, and gave in after a very plucky fight.

BANTAM WEIGHTS (6-round contest).

Sgt. Daniels, (Dorset Regiment) versus Pte. Thomson, (Lancashire Fusiliers.) Sergt. Daniels went for his man and knocked him out early in the first round.

Dr. Fairman, (Royal Munster Fusiliers, versus Dr. Jennings, (South Lancashire Regt.) The former pursued his usual tactics of going for his man, clever dodging and caring nothing for punishment. Towards the end of the second round Jennings showed signs of tiring. In the third round as usual Fairman was untiring in his efforts to force the fighting and gained a popular verdict.

FEATHER WEIGHTS.

Pte. Osborne, (Royal Welsh Fusiliers) versus Driver Chandler,) ("X." Battery, R. H. A.,) Osborne led from start to finish and won a nice fight on points.

6-ROUND CONTEST.

6-round content. Pte Elliott, (Durham Light Infantry), versus Pte. Mortimer, (5th Fusiliers.) Elliott had slightly the best of the first two rounds and scored more in the third by going for his man and punishing him severely. During the last part of the third round and most of the fourth, however, Mortimer recovered and scored a lot with a straight left. The same thing happened in the fifth. The sixth round was even. Mortimer won on points.

Lieut. Selby, (5th Fusiliers), versus Capt. Williams, R. F. A. Lieut. Selby led in the first two rounds and went for his man again in the third showing more training and a little more science. A very good fight. This was the last and concluded a most successful tournament.

The greatest credit is due to Capt. Standfeld, D. S. O., Gordon Highlanders, for he not only completed the building of the stadium, which holds 6,000, but also made all the arrangements throughout the Tournament and personally attended everyone of the sixteen nights in spite of early morning parades.

General Mahon gave away the prizes. The following is the list of points obtained by Regiments:—Royal West Kent Regt. 15; 4th K. R. R. 11; Royal Welsh Fusiliers 11; Black Watch 10; Royal Munster Fusiliers 8 and Essex Regt. 8.

CATCH WEIGHTS.

Sgt. Houseton, (Black Watch) versus Lce. Cpl. Gates, (Royal Fusiliers.) The first round was slightly in favour of Houseton. In the second round Houseton nearly knocked his man out. The third round was also in favour of Houseton who won on points fairly comfortably.

6-round Contest. Gunner Blake, ("X" Battery, R. H. A.,) versus Pte. Perteous. Both were heavy weights and hard hitters and rather afraid of one another. If anything Porteous had slightly the best of it on points when he gave in towards the end of the second round owing to an injured hand.

THE "INDIAN REVIEW."

The publishers of the "Indian Review" have issued a special Coronation number, which covers every point of view from which the recent great ceremonial at Delhi can be regarded. Dr. Whitehead, Bishop of Madras, describes the Coronation Service at Home, and is followed by a series of excellent articles on the Coronations of Aurungazeb, Jehangir representing Moslem dynasties, Messrs. Sashagiri, Ayer and N. C. Kelkar winding up a most useful series with accounts of Shivajee's and other Hindu Coronations.

Sir William Wedderburn deals sympathetically with the relations between Europeans and Indians, Mr. Glynn Barlow with the "Indian Renaissance," and Dr. Satish Chunder Banerjee and Mrs. Besant with the Hindu University. There are also many other articles on subjects of absorbing interest to India, and Mr. Natesan has succeeded in producing what is really a "vade mecum" for those who desire to study Indian affairs of the moment. Perusal of the number fails to discover a note which can jar the temperate mind, and it may be commended to all who find an interest in India.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR W. BOUGHTON CHAMBERS, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, 18th December.

311. Annual Camp of Exercise—The Annual Cam of Exercise will be held at Mahaluxmi Battery from Saturday 17th to Sunday 25th February 1912.

312. Office Closing of—The Head-quarter Office will be closed from Saturday 23rd December 1911 until Tuesday 2nd January 1912, both days inclusive on account of Christmus Holidays.

313. Parades—There will be no parade on Saturday 23rd instant.

314. Strength—The undermentioned members having joined the Corps are taken on the Strength and posted as follows:—

No 1422 Gunner William Jeary No 1 Company No 3 Sub Division.

315 Leave—Leave of absence is granted to Sergt H B Graveston from 15th December 1911 to 3rd Jan 1912, both days inclusive.

E. P. CUDLIP, Capt. R. A.,
Adjt. B. V. A.

NOTICE.

There will be a Committee Meeting of the B. V. A Rifle Association on Monday 18th December at 7 p.m in the B. V. A. Club. All members of the Committee are requested to attend.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS:—Are you broken in your test by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhoea whether arising from teething or other cases. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

ABOR CAMPAIGN.

Effort Made to Settle with the Tribe.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

YAMBANG, Dec. 15.

At this juncture every effort is being made to treat with the Abors through the instrumentality of the friendly Passi Abor, Chief, who accompanied the column, and the head of Bonging and Jaru villages who are expected to arrive here to-day. The people appear to be leaving the hostile village of Panging which is opposite this camp on the other bank of the Dihong. News was received from Col. Murray on the night of the 13th, that his column had reached a place about eight miles from here.

Subadar Bir Singh of the 1st Coy., Sappers and Miners, died yesterday, at Rotung of dysentery.

Pack mules can now reach Renging and road-making is going on satisfactorily. The weather is fine and the nights are cold and the heavy white mist does not lift from the gorge until about ten a. m. This is a favourite fishing place for the Abors, and near where the Yambung flows into the Dihong, where we found numerous fish traps. Good masheer fishing is being enjoyed by officers who have leisure and are fortunate enough to have their rods with them.

Enemys' Loss at Egar Stream.

SIMLA, Dec. 16.

The General Officer commanding the Abor expedition, telegraphed from Yambung on December 15th, that he has sent a message to Ponging, to say that the Government has no quarrel with that village, and that the Gams should come in. Five men from Ponging then came into the camp, and stated that the Gams had gone to get Mithan as a present and would come in in a few days. These men report that the Rotung men lost ten killed and two wounded at the Egar Stream.

A mule convoy has reached Renging and in a few days the mules should be able to reach Routung.

Another Encounter.

YAMBUNG, Dec. 13.

Lieut.-Col. Murray's column has returned from Yemsing. The telephone wires had been cut by the enemy and they had been unable to communicate with Headquarters for three days. On reaching Yemsing which is about six miles distant, they found it deserted except for the fighting men about thirty of whom they surprised and in the fight which ensued four Abors were killed and two wounded. The next day the enemy were again found near the village and one of them was wounded. Yemsing is a larger village than Kebang and had a stockade at the far end of it. In situation it is similiar to that of Kebang and the huts are scattered. The column destroyed all its defences.

In my message of December 4th I stated that Major Lindsay and his column had marched from Mishing to Retung, a distance of about sixteen miles in three days unopposed. The distance which has been fixed by surveyors is nearly thirty miles and on the first day the force marched eight miles over very hilly country. On the second day about eight miles with an ascent and descent of about two thousand feet, and on the last day which included the turning of a hill and the destruction of a number of rock shoots, the remainder of the distance. The six Naga scouts who have been attached to the 8th Gurkhas during the campaign left yesterday for their homes, one of them it will be remembered was severely wounded in the arm.

The Botanical Survey.

CACUTTA, Dec. 14.

Reports received in Calcutta indicate that while the punitive expedition has not been able to discovers many Abors for whom it is searching, Mr. Burkhill who is making a botanical survey of the country has been extremely fortunate. In the vicinity of Kobo alone he has found about 300 new specimens so that the gain to science will be considerable.

ARRIVALS.

Per s. s. "Koerber," Dec. 15.

The following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd steamer Koerber, from Trieste and intermediate ports on Friday evening the 15th instant:—

Ackermann, Dr and Mrs	Levy, Mr E
Allison, Mr W H D	Lawson, Revd & Mrs & child
Appolonatos, Mr S	Moeller, Mr
Alexander, Miss H M J	Mueller-Nagel, Mr & Mrs
Arel, Revd Josef	Mehl, Revd & Mrs & infant
Anderson Lt A	Mortimer, Mr
Boedcker, Dr Ch	Michaelis, Mr K
Bosdecker, Dr H	Macouenem, Mr R
Blaha, Mr L	Mant, Mr
Bari, Mr Syed Abdul	Moriarty, Mr & Mrs & infant
Bunz, Revd & Mrs & infant	Mazarachi, Mr & Mrs & infant
Belgiojoso, Count B	Niemann, Mr G
Bartmer, Mr W	Price, Mr
Cunningham, Mr & Mrs	Pescott, Mr & Mrs & Child
Cooper, Mr M D	Panas, Mr S A
Comden, Mr & Mrs	Patell, Mr Pallonji
Coenen, Mr M	Rath, Major
Calinan, Miss	Rocci, Revd P
Lorfwirth, Dr & Mrs and child	Rose, Mr F C
Dant, Mr M	Row, Mr J
Dannefelder, Miss	Stevens, Miss H D
Ebden, Mr & Mrs	Skornjak, Miss
Eranee, Mr B B	Spieldiener, Sister
Fraincais, Revd P	Swift, Miss
Fox, Miss L	Smith, Mr and Mrs
Fallaschi, Revd	Sethna, Mrs R D
Fullerton, Miss A	Swinburn, Major and Mrs and child
Fullerton, Miss M	Standen, Mr and Mrs
Graham, Mrs	Staudem, Miss
Harrison, Capt	Thalassinos, Mr Th
Holloway, Mrs & infant	Toreck, Count and Countess
Hubner, Capt	Trotter, Miss
Hinto, Revd	Twinning, Mrs
Hill, Miss	Tschaussoglou, Mr and Mrs
Impey, Miss	Vannei, Revd
Isaac, Mrs	Wedis, Mr D A
Isaac, Miss	Weis, Sister
Jackson, Mr S C	Waddington, Misses
Jockson, Mr S G	Westrop, Col
Jost, Mr C	Zahardinknan Mr
Kabosi, Mrs	Zafarnusen, Khan Mr
Kaminsky, Miss F	
Kershap, Mr B	
Kieper, Revd	
Lalkaka Mr M R	
Laing, Mrs	

Per s. s. "Circassia," Dec. 19.

The Anchor Line s. s. "Circassia is due to arrive here about to-morrow instant with the following Passenger:—

Bare, Rev C L	McNeal, Rev John
Bare, Mrs	McGregor, Mr
Barnett, Capt J W	Owen, Mrs H, 2 Infants and nurse
Clark, Dr Lily	Parker, Maj N T
Cobban, Capt C L	Parterson, Rev M
Codrington, Maj H de B	Patterson, Mr C B
Codrington, Mrs	Reid, Mr J L
Codrington, Miss	Scott, Rev W
Cunliffe, Miss L P	Scott, Mrs and child
Gairdner Miss M E	Skeen, Mrs O St J and infant
Henwood, Mr	Springett, Miss K
Henwood, Mrs	Ramsay, Mr G B
Hose, Mr J W	Ramsey, Miss S F
Houston, Capt W M	Thomas, Mr A R
Houston, Mrs and infant	Walters, Mr G H
Lipsett, Miss	Woodhead, Mr Chas
Long, Mrs W E	Worgan, Mr T H
Lumsden, Miss E	Worgan, Mrs
Mensell, Rev W A	
Mensell, Mrs	

SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY RACES.

Second Extra Meeting.

The second extra meeting of the Bombay Racing Season drew a large crowd at Mahaluxhmi Racecourse although, as on the previous Saturday, ladies were not so much in evidence as heretofore in Bombay racing seasons. The sun was exceedingly hot in the early part of the afternoon, and a large number of the less energetic frequenters of the ring sought the shade of the big tree in the centre, while the public in the Second Enclosure must have mentally thanked the authorities for the provision of a covering over the Grand Stand which has now been completed. The bookmakers were well represented and in some instances their prices compared well with those given by the totalisator for a win. Especially may this be said in the case of Electric's race. Odds of nine to four were obtainable about Evans's mount just before the race in the ring, while the totalisator only returned Rs. 15 for Rs. 10. However, in most cases short prices were laid about more than one horse in a race at the start of the betting. Although outsiders in Majesty, Soomsam and Golden Day won it could hardly have been bookmakers' day as there was much support for the two first named ponies. Lord Carlyon also received support, although Gallileo was first favourite. Amongst the jockeys who landed from England yesterday, Wooton and Bowley went on to Calcutta, but Saxby stayed in Bombay and was seen upon Huka in the Winter Plate. Archibald, an American rider, also new to Bombay, had two mounts during the afternoon.

The opening race saw Creditor made an "odds on" favourite against Kimberley at a difference of three pounds. Evans was given the mount on Mr. Beg's Bay, and it was found that Creditor had actually to carry four pounds more than Kimberley. Majesty was not fancied in the absence of Brown, but although in the race, Creditor held Kimberley safe, McGlore on Majesty, rode with Judgment and got the verdict by a length. The finish in the second event was a somewhat disconcerting one for punters. Once More, again Evans's mount, was easily favourite, Seven Fifty at "fours" being the only other pony at comparatively short odds. Golden Day and Dimshak ran prominently, but in the straight Evans was coming through on the rails, Once More looking a winner all over, when, Dimshak closed him up with a somewhat obvious bump and the finish was contested between Golden Day, Agent and Dushant who finished in the order named. In this race, the totalisator paid out Rs. 78 for the win and the remunerative dividends of Rs. 271 and Rs. 166-8 for second and third place respectively. The Winter Plate was a somewhat open speculation, Huka, Gallileo, Pincher all being supported. Gallileo was installed favourite, but Lord Carlyon satisfied his followers by coming away and winning from the start. The Arab Maiden Plate might have been contrasted with the Novice Plate of the week before. Evans's mount, St. Hilarion, was made favourite and Mr. Ali-bin-Talib had two entries in Real Gold, which Ferguson, with first colours, rode and Soomsam, Kamad up. Soomsam's impost was considerably less than when he failed to show up in the straight against Turkish General to whom he conceded eleven pounds and he had nothing of note to beat. The distance was greater and Soomsam won with great ease showing none of hesitancy he showed at the bend a week before. But to the public, it seems strange that on both occasions Ferguson, the first jockey for the stable, should have ridden the mount which did not seem to be the one selected to win, and when Ferguson is up his mount is sure to carry punters' money. The Arab Trial Plate saw the surest win of the day in Grand Duke's victory. Terror at "fours" was the only other pony to receive any marked support, but the favourite price was steady at "two to one on." Ferguson rode Grand Duke and so easily did the pony win that although his jockey was easing him towards the finish, there was a margin of five lengths before Terror came up followed by Shawcutt. In the last event, for which there were originally twenty-four entries, a field of eight only faced the gate. Jehangir was made an "odds on" favourite with Taylor up, while Electric received support also. Cocaine led out all the way to the bend, where Electric came up on the rails. Half up the straight, Taylor brought Jehangir up with a run and an exciting finish followed Evans winning on Electric by a neck. The honours were divided equally between the jockeys, no one winning more than one race. The winning riders were McGlore, Kamad, Ames, Yussuf, Ferguson and Evans.

The details are as follows:

LITTLE ARAB TRIAL PLATE.—3-10 p.m. Winner, Rs. 500; second Rs. 200; third Rs. 100. For Arabs 13-3 and under which have not won flat race value Rs 2,000 or over since 31st March, 1909. 13-3 to carry 9st. 12lbs., W.I. Allowances—Ponies which have not won since 31st March, 1909, race value Rs. 1,500 or over, 7lbs.; Rs. 1,000 or over, 14lbs.; Rs. 500 or over, 21lbs. Maidens, 28lbs. (not accumulative) Distance 5 furlongs,

Mr. R. R. S's Majesty 9st. 5lbs.............McGlore 1
Mr. Beg's Creditor 8st. 2lbs. (cd. 8st. 9lbs.). Evans 2
Mr. M. Goculdass's Kimberley 8st. 5lbs.... Ames 3

ALSO RAN:—Magistrate 7st. 12lbs.; Grequa 6st. 12lbs. (cd. 7st. 1lb.)

BETTING:—5 to 4 on Creditor, 6 to 4 against Kimberley, 8 to 1 Majesty and Magistrate and 15 to 1 Grequa.

THE RACE:—Creditor, lead out with Majesty on the rails, Kimberley being close after. At the bend, the front two went away, but Majesty took and kept his lead, and won comfortably. Won by a length, same and two lengths. Time:—1min. 8 2-5secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 145 for the win, and Rs. 39-8 and Rs. 14-8 for places.

(Winner trained by T. Tingey.)

SELLING PLATE—3-40 p. m.—Winner, Rs. 500; second Rs. 200; third Rs. 100. For Maidan Arabs 14 hands and under. 14 hands entered for Rs. 1,200 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 500. Distance—1-2 mile.

Mr. Valijee Moosajee's Golden Day 7st. ...Kamad 1
Mr. P. R. Naik's Agent 7st. 9lbs.............. Etul 2
Mr. Faraj bin Sanad's Dushant 7st. 9lbs. (cd. 7st. 12lbs) .... Fahad 3

ALSO RAN:—Seven Fifty 8st. 1lb.; Flying Machine 8st. 7lbs.; Once More, 8st. 4lbs. (cd. 8st. 9lbs.) Ordinary 8st. 1lb.; Dimshak 7st. 12lbs.; Zahat 7st. 9lbs.; Framroz 7st. 9lbs.

BETTING:—5 to 4 Once More, 4 to 1 against Seven Fifty, 6 to 1 Golden Day Flying Machine, and Framroz, 8 to 1 Ordinary and longer odds the rest.

THE RACE:—Seven Fifty went away with the lead, but then Dimshak came up with Golden Day and Once More on the rails. Coming into the bend Golden Day drew up and Once More came into third place and in the straight began to come along the rails. He seemed to be winning, but when up to Dimshak's withers was bumped on to the rails and lost all chances. Agent came on the extreme outside, but Golden Day won by a head, a neck and three quarters next. Time:—55 1-5 secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 78 for the win and Rs. 27, Rs. 271 and Rs. 166-8 for places.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

WINTER PLATE.—4-10 p. m. Winner, Rs. 1,000; second, Rs. 300; third, Rs. 200. For horses which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,500 or over since 31st March, 1909. W. A. & C. reduced 10lbs. Penalties—Winner since 31st March, 1909, race value Rs. 500 or over, once 6lbs.; twice 12lbs.; oftener, 18lbs. Allowances—Ponies 14-2 and under 5lbs.; Maidens, 10lbs. Distance 6 furlongs.

Mr. M. Goculdass's Lord Carlyon 8st. 13lbs. Ames. 1
Mr. P. B. Avasia's Gallileo 9st. 11lbs........ Evans 2
Mr. G. K's Huka 9st. 11lbs. .... Saxby 3

ALSO RAN:—Pincher 9st. 11lbs.; Metal Girl 8st. 13lbs.; Better Luck 8st. 7lbs., Wassaie 7st. 11lbs.

BETTING:—6 to 4 against Gallileo 2 to 1 Lord Carlyon, 5 to 2 Huka, 4 to 1 Pincher, long odds the rest.

THE RACE:—Lord Carlyon lead out from Huka and Pincher with Gallileo behind. The lastnamed horse however passed into third place. At the three furlongs Metal Girl fell back being passed by Huka, but Lord Carlyon was well in front who won easily from Gallileo, who came late on the outside. Won by four lengths, 3 lengths and half a length. Time:—1 min. 15 2-5 secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 36 for the win and Rs. 19 and Rs. 17-8 for places.

(Winner trained by Ali Mahomed.)

ARAB MAIDEN PLATE.—4-40 p. m. Winner, Rs. 750; second, Rs. 250; third, Rs. 150. For Maiden Arabs. W. A. reduced 7lbs. Allowances—Ponies 11 hands and under, 4lbs. Distance—About 7 furlongs (1 mile scale.)

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Soomsam 8st. 2lbs. ... Yussuff 1
Mr. Beg's Mysore 8st. 6lbs. .... Ames 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's Real Gold 8st. 6lbs., Ferguson 3

ALSO RAN:—St. Hilarion 8st. 10lbs., one thousand 8st. 6lbs., Boneparte 8st. 6lbs., Tressady 8st. 6lbs., Ghalyum 8st. 6lbs., Sir Edward 6st. 8lbs., Submit 8st. 6lbs., Chin Chin 8st. 2lbs.

BETTING:—2 to 1 against St. Hilarion, 6 to 1 Soomsam One Thousand, Real Gold and Ghalyum, 8 to 1 Submit and longer odds the rest.

THE RACE.—After a false start, Mysore lead followed by St. Hilarion from Boneparte. At the four furlongs Soomsam moved into third place. Mysore at the three furlongs was going well again, but in the straight had no chance against Soomsam, who won easily by three lengths. four lengths. Time:—1 min. 39 2-3 secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 51 for the win and Rs. 21-8, Rs. 49, Rs. 28-8 for places.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

ARAB TRIAL PLATE.—5-10 p. m.—Winner Rs. 750; second, Rs. 250; third Rs. 150. For Arabs. W. A. raised 10lbs. Allowances—Horses which have not won since 31st March 1909, race value Rs. 3,000 or over 7lbs; Rs. 2,000 or over, 12 lbs. Rs. 1,500 or over, 18lbs; Rs. 500 or over 24lbs, Maidens 28lbs; (not accumulative), Ponies 14 hands and under, 4lbs.—Distance about 1 mile (1 mile scale.)

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Grand Duke, 8st. 9lbs. Ferguson 1
Mr S. N. Mahomed's Terror 9st. 2lbs.........Evans 2
Messrs. M. Goculdass' and A. Nanjee's Shawcutt 8st. 9st..Ames 3

ALSO RAN:—Hari Johnson 8st 5lbs; Urgent 8st. 9lbs.

BETTING:—2 to 1 on Grand Duke, 4 to 1 against Shawcutt, and Terror and sixes the others.

THE RACE:—They went off in a line and at the seven furlongs Urgent lead from Grand Duke, Shawcutt and Harry Johnson. At the four furlongs Grand Duke had got into first place and was a length in front followed by Shawcutt. Terror came up gradually and beat Shawcutt, for second place, but Grand Duke finished pulling up, won by five length, a half and four lengths. Time—1 min. 54 3-5 secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 15 for the win and Rs. 12-8 and Rs. 17-8 for places.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

MEDIUM ARAB PONY PLATE.—5-40 p.m.—Winner, Rs. 500; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. For Arabs 14 hands and under, which have not won flat race value Rs. 1,000, or over since 31st March, 1909. 14 hands to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners since 31st March, 1909, race value Rs. 400 or over; once, 4lbs.; twice 10lbs.; oftener, 14lbs; Winner since 31st March 1909, races of the aggregate value of Rs. 2,000 or over 4lbs.; of Rs. 3,000 or over 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Maidens, 5lbs.—Distance.—5 furlongs.

Mr. A. S. Oomer's Electric 8st. 11lbs. ......Evans 1
Mr. M. Gouldass's Jehangir 9st 6lbs.........Taylor 2
Mr. S. A. Wahed's Maasal 8st. 11lbs......Mujeed 3

ALSO RAN:—Secretary, 9st.; Zomat, 7st, 13lbs; Cocaine, 7st. 4lbs; Regiment, 7st. 12lbs; Leader 7st. 4lbs.

BETTING:—5 to 4 on Jehangir, 9 to 4 against Electric, 5 to 1 Secretary, 10 to 1 Maasal, twenties and thirties the rest.

THE RACE:—Cocaine got first away leading well out from Secretary, Electric and Maasal. Coming into the straight, Electric came through on the rails, but Jehangir made a strong bid half way up and the finish was very close, Electric just getting the verdict. Won by a neck a length. Time:—1 min. 7 4-5 secs. The totalisator paid Rs. 15 for the win and Rs. 13-8, Rs. 13-8 and Rs. 19-8 for places.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

CALCUTTA THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

The following are the results of the racing here to-day:—

FORT PLATE,—(five furlongs.)

Mr. Galstaun's Tangaroa 9-7. (Robinson)............ 1
Sir A. A. Apcar's Neith 9-7. (Kuhun)............. 2
Mr. Lauder's Harane 8-7. (Murdisen)............ 3

ALSO RAN.—Foudrette 9-7, Lawn Sand 8-7, Barm 8-12, Kilmarnock 8-12, Vintage 8-12, Solnsion 8-7 Hacktler's Girl 8-1, Make Haste III 7-3.

THE RACE.—Won by quarter of a lengt hone length between second and third. TIME—1 min 1 2-5 secs.

WELLESLY PLATE—(a mile and a quarter.)

Mr. G. K.'s Aborgine, 9-7 (P. Brown)........... 1
Messrs. Heather and Jones, Black Buck, 9-7 (Whalley)..................... 2
Sir A. A. Apcar's Vavasor, 9-7 (C. Hoyt)........... 3

ALSO RAN.—Lust Call 9-7, Bull Dog 9-7, Carlton 8-12, Miracle 8-12, Maria Farina 8-6, Santoinette 8-12; Victory 8-3, Green Ware 8-1, Fidelio 7-13. Mayfly 0-6, Chapel Royal 7-1, Koonowla 7-6.

THE RACE.—Won by three quarters of a length half a length between second and third. TIME—2 min. 8 2-5 secs.

JUVENILE PLATE,—(six Furlongs.)

Mr. Valentine's Chin Chin 8-8 (Davis)........... 1
H. H. of Patiala's Hamara 9-1 (Ruiz)........... 2
Mr. Galstaun's Britania (Robinson)............. 3

ALSO RAN.—Movaleen 9-1, the Cellarer 9-1, Devil's Dyke 8-12, Alpheus 8-8, Tom Change 8-8 Flashlight 8-8, Picnic 8-8.

THE RACE.—Chin Chin lead throughout and won with much ease by three and a half lengths, a length and a half between second and third. TIME,—1 min. 16-25 Secs.

PONY HURDLE—(handicap, 2 miles over eight flights.)

Colonel Wilson's Miss Clare 10-5 (Hayhoe)......... 1
Mr. Raichaudhiri's Ruling Passion 11-5 (Northmore).. 2
Mr. Valentine's Edwards 8-5 (Randall)........... 3

ALSO RAN.—Glory 8-5, Bandy Leg 9-5 Murmur 10-5.

THE RACE.—Miss Clare was last throughout till she reached the straight and challenged Ruling Passion who was favourite and won a good race by a neck, two lengths between second and third.

TIME.—3 min. 58 1-5 secs.

CHARNOCK PLATE.—(five furlongs.)

Mr. Wishart Safety Pin 8-3, (Firth)................ 1
The Chief of Mahisal and Garda's Manveron 7-10, (Brown).. 2
Mr. Burjorjee's Etna 8-9, (Tailor)................. 3

ALSO RAN:—Hydra 9-12, Spook 9, Ask Mama 8-9, Lady Grey 8-7.
Village Girl 7-12, Master Priam 7-6, Nagkpa 6-10, Sidonis 6.

THE RACE.—Leading all through Safety Pin won by four lengths, a length and a half between second and third.—Time 1min 3secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 61 to the winner.

CANNING PLATE.—Six furlongs.

Picnic 8-2. (Hoyt)................................... 1
Chief of Garda's Bembastic 8-9, (Whalley)...... 2
Mr. T. Scott's Sperry 9-12. (Firth)............... 3

ALSO RAN:—Once Again 8-10, Chestnut Park 8-7, Cherry Hackle 9-12, Langton 8-11, Rapine 8-10, Airman 8-10, Decidedly 8-9, King's Spear 8-2, Miss Santoi 8-2, Boat Song 8, Leader 8, Proprietor 7-7, Pyer's Mostyn 7-3, Lah 6-12, Skipper 6-12.

THE RACE:—Won by a neck, half a length between second and third.—Time 1 min 15 4-5secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 111 to win.

CORNWALLIS PLATE.—

Mr. R. C. Das's Ballymaclure 7-11 (Barrett)...... 1
Mr. G. K's Devereux 7-5, (Kuhn)................ 2
Sir A. A. Apcar's the Cocatoo 1-4, (L. (Hoyt)...... 3

ALSO RAN:—Grogue 9-3, Sanhedein 8-10, Collegin 8-5, Bachelor's Knot 8-5, Realm 8; Wise Hawk 7-11, Herald 7-9, Kipling 7-4, Mayfly 7-4, the Master 7-2.

THE RACE:—Won by three quarters of a length One length between second and third.—Time 2min. 56 1-5secs.

Totalisator paid Rs. 42 to win.

YACHT CLUB RACES.

By "Bobstay."

Before giving an account of last Saturday's races it may be of interest to say that owing to the protest against "Millie" having been upheld the results of the "C" class handicap race of Saturday the 9th instant are as follows:—

1st Prize Clutha
2nd Prize Curlew
3rd Prize Cricket

Marie Louise saves Entrance Fee.

The races last Saturday were held under conditions more nearly approaching normal than any we have had so far, with the result that most of the boats showed something of their true form, and so will be all the more easily handicapped for future occasions.

There were nine entries for the Ships Boats Race of which however only six answered to the call at gun fire.

The gun gave the signal at 3 o'clock and a fine start was the result, three of the boats crossing the line practically simultaneously and two others followed a few seconds later with a free wind to South Karanja Buoy from which point, back to the Committee Vessel, it was a heat in which we should have expected the Montague whaler to come out on top, though, judging from results, she does not appear to have done so.

The 36' Pinnace of H. M. S. "Argyll" got the gun but lost the 1st prize on time allowance to the Hardinge's cutter by the very narrow margin of eleven seconds; the scratch boat the launch of H. M. S. "Cochrane" being third.

SHIP'S BOATS RACE—Sailed at 3 p. m.

Names of Boats.	Time Al'ances on course M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
36' Pinnace...	3 9	H M S Argyll....	4 36 46	1 33 37
32' Cutter ...	12 36	H M S Argyll....		—
30' Cutter ...	14 10	H M S Argyll ...		......
32' Cutter ...	12 36	H M S Cochrane.	5 5 26	1 52 10
27' Whaler ...	3 9	H M S Cochrane.	5 2 55	1 59 46
28' Cutter ...	17 19	R I M S Hardinge.	4 50 45	1 33 26
28' Cutter ...	17 19	R I M S Hardinge		......
Launch ...	Scr	H M S Cochrane..	4 47 15	1 47 15
30' Gig	14 10	H M S Medina...	Gave up	

Course;—3. =6·26 miles. Wind W N W Strength Moderate. 1st prize won by 28' Cutter R I M S Hardinge and 2nd prize won by 36' Pinnace H M S Argyll. Time-limit—6-30 p.m.

As is the case on every alternate Saturday the C Class Handicap was combined with a Class Race for Tomtits.

At 3-10 the gun went to, what is becoming a habit in the C Class namely, a most excellent start; indeed, if one did not know what an extremely conscientious man the starter is and how keen his eyes, one would almost feel inclined to think that he had given up the struggle to separate the last five boats and put them all at one time.

We are reminded by this start of another of which a well known local amateur obtained a photograph, and on his showing the picture to yachtsmen at Home could not get them to believe that it was an actual start, and that the boats were not moored by their sterns for the purpose of the picture. With their spinnakers set and all going together the little boats looked like a cloud of large white butterflies in eager quest of a land of flowers across the seas.

An amusing incident was the forgetfulness of 'Pepita' who, in the absence of her owner and his representative, had been commandeered by two other keen sportsmen, and started off with Tomtits, only discovering her mistake after she had gone some way.

The boats kept practically together until South Karanja was reached when Millie took the lead on the reach to Mark Buoy closely followed by Valkyrie Mavourneen, Maud, and Curlew, with the others not far away Rounding Mark Buoy in the above order it was a beat to the Committee Vessel and, with a freshening breeze, Maud gradually worked herself into first place and got the gun with a margin of about a minute and a half from Mavourneen, Curlew and Swallow making a dead heat for third place. The Tomtit Class Race was therefore won by Maud, who also was first in the Handicap Race, but as she can only hold one prize the second prize goes to Millie.

"C" CLASS HANDICAP AND TOMTIT CLASS RACE—Sailed at 3-10 p.m.

Names of Boats.	Time Al'ances. on course. M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Fenella	1 51	Dr B K Goldsmith............	5 6 6	1 54 15
Maud	2 28	Officers, R E........	4 55 54	1 43 26
Mavourneen.	0 37	Mr Newman Taylor	4 57 34	1 46 57
Millie	5 33	Messrs Chapman and Twiddle....	5 0 40	1 45 7
Lapwing ...	4 19	Mr C N Moberly	5 2 55	1 48 36
Valkyrie]...	5 38	Mr R Walker ...	5 2 5	1 46 32
Curlew......	2 28	Messrs A S Orr & H R Pilcher	4 59 55	1 47 27
Swallow ...	3 42	Mr E Y Watson	4 59 55	1 46 13
Cricket ...	9 45	Mr T S Gregson.	5 7 56	1 48 11

Course:—Cee Vessel—S Karanja Buoy port—Mark Buoy port—Cee Vessel. =7·43 miles. Wind W N W Strength Moderate. 1st prize won by Maud, 2nd prize won by Millie and 3rd prize won by Swallow. Valkyrie saves entrance fee. Time-limit—6-30 p.m.

B class went off at 3-20 and, except for Pepita, had a good start, the latter however having discovered her error returned and crossed the line after the A. Class boats and sailed the course. The race proved that, given moderate winds Maya cannot afford to give away the huge handicaps she has lately been giving to the other boats in B Class. The Maya being handicapped out of it, and the Pepita having done for herself by her initial mistake the race resolved itself into a struggle between the other three boats in which the Trixie proved herself the winner with a very comfortable margin, Lylie being second.

"B" CLASS RACE—Sailed at 3-20 p.m.

Names of Boats.	Time Al'ances on course. M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Trixie	29 20	Maj Dobbs, & Capt Mac Iver	5 21 29	1 32 8
Antelope ...	30 48	Officers Warwick Regt	5 33 3	1 42 15
Lylie	26 24	Messrs D Fraser & B N Fischer......	5 26 52	1 40 28
Pepita	39 36	Lt J White, R N...	5 54 56	1 55 20
Maya	Scr	Mr V T Janson ...	5 11 6	1 51 6

Course:—Cee Vessel—Tucker Beacon Starboard—N Karanja Starboard—Mark Buoy Starboard—Cee Vessel then the short course, =8·83 miles. Wind W N W strength moderate—1st Prize won by Trixie and 2nd Prize won by Lylie—Time-limit—6-30 p.m.

In A Class Eileen got across the line thirteen seconds after gun-fire followed by Turquoise two seconds later; Turquoise contrary to her usual custom doing a flying start with all her canvas drawing; Mahabuka came third and made herself distinctly disliked on board Eileen by interfering with the latter's wind for quite a long time till she drew sufficiently ahead to take a more philosophic view of Mahahuka's conduct. On approaching North Karanja Buoy Eileen being short-handed took in her spinnaker too soon and consequently lost some valuable seconds. From North Karanja to South Karanja Buoy was a reach and in this Eileen pulled away a lot while Turquoise under the skilful hand of the Commodore hung on to Mahahuka in a truly marvellous way.

On reaching South Karanja Eileen held on for some time before heading for the Committee Boat in which tactics she was followed by Melody, the other boats going about immediately round the buoy, Eileen rounded the Committee Boat about eight minutes ahead of Turquoise which had changed places with Mahahuka.

It was a dead run from the Committee Vessel to the Mark Buoy and Eileen increased her lead still further; but on the subsequent beat in, owing to Turquoise's superior pointing she was unable to gain sufficient to save her time and the latter boat won a keenly sailed race with a margin of two and a half minutes.

"A" CLASS HANDICAP RACE—Sailed at 3-30 p.m.

Names of Boats.	Time Al'ances on course. M. S.	Entered by	Time of Arrival. H. M. S.	Corrected Time. H. M. S.
Turquoise...	8 45	Messrs J W Stokes & J F Preston	6 4 38	2 18 48
Melody......	18 20	Officers, R A...	6 25 47	2 39 2[illegible]
Eileen IV...	Scr	Mr J F Watson & Maj Muter..	5 51 14	2 21 14
Mahahuka..	9 11	Lt FitzGerald R N	6 9 0	2 25 23

Course:—Cee Vessel—N Karanja Buoy Starboard—S Karanja Buoy Starboard—Cee Vessel—Mark Buoy port—Cee Vessel. Length 12·57 miles. Wind W N W Moderate. 1st prize won by Turquoise. Eileen IV saves entrance.

FOX-HUNTING.

The lines below, describing the Home Thruster, are dedicated to others of that ilk so frequently mentioned in the Sporting Notes of the Bombay, Poona and Belgaum Hunts:—

THE TALE OF THE *THRUSTER.

Hark! There's a whimper in covert.
There he goes! Give him law! come awa-ay!
And I'm mounted on one who'll be second to none
A gallant to gallop and stay.

See how hounds streak up the valley,
With the field on fair terms with the pack.
Tho' the old demesne double gave some of us trouble
And a †gripe turned the timorous back.

The very first wall was a terror,
The first whip who crossed with a fall
And the Master will own my horse ne'er moved a stone
And they were alone within call.

When we came to the galloping country,
O'er the grass the hounds flew like the wind,
For the rest of the hunt only I was in front
And the field were tailed off far behind.

Forty minutes, a kill in the open,
'Twas the pace made disaster so rife.
At the death I can swear my horse only was there.
'Twas the proudest of days in my life.

S. J. D.

*Thruster; one who hunts to ride (and frequently to sell his horse).
† Boggy drain.

ALL INDIA HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

Annual Cup to be Presented.

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 17.

The Committee of the All-India Hockey Tournament at Allahabad have decided to present a cup of the value of Rs. 400 annually to the winners of the tournament. This cup will be given in addition to the present cup and will take the place of the medals that have hitherto been presented to the members of the winning team. The All-India Hockey Tournament Cup can be retained by the winners only for one year, whereas the additional cup will become the entire property of the winning team. The first additional cup will be given at the Tournament in January next.

THE WEATHER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT,)

SIMLA, Dec. 17.

The weather has been dry everywhere. The forecasts show no change. Seasonal forecast:—Winter rains. The geographical average of the winter rains during December, 1911, and January and February 1912, in Northern India (Punjab, Sind, Rajputana and United Provinces) is not likely to be in defect. An excess is probable in the Punjab, and the west of the United Provinces, but there may be a defect in Gujarat and Sind. The amount of snowfall in the west Himalayas may be expected to be above normal.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT.

A slight local shock was recorded at Simla, yesterday at nineteen hours, forty-one minutes and violent shocks this morning at one hours six minutes from a distance of about eight thousand miles.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 16th OF DECEMBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Saturday, the 16th December, 1911, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is in excess in the north Punjab and either equal to or below the average elsewhere. Day temperature is in defect at some stations.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is normal.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is in defect at Bikaner.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in defect in Kathiawar. Temperature is normal in the extreme western districts of Kathiawar and in excess elsewhere.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. The air is damper than usual. Temperature is in excess in the northern and western districts.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal. Temperature is in excess at Bombay.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Temperature is early normal.

General Remarks.—Weather has been rainless, and is likely to remain so except possibly in the extreme south. There are, however, indications that unsettled conditions are approaching north-west India from the west.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32° F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) 16th December, was 30·026 inches. The height of Observatory barometer cistern above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder is 47 feet. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge was 13 feet at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer, supposing the reading to be 30·00 inches and that of the attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be 14in. and this will be higher or lower by 01 inch for each 4 degrees. In the case of the aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern either mercurial or aneroid above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet, it will read higher or lower by 01 inch for each 11 feet. The readings above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

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BY THE WAY.

AMUNDSEN'S CHANGED PLANS.

Captain Amundsen, whose dramatic appearance in the Antarctic has induced the British Antarctic Committee to appeal for further financial aid for Captain Scott, is a veteran of Polar exploration. When he last left Europe he was bound for the Arctic Ocean, which he intended to enter on the Pacific side, and then allow the ice to take his vessel where it willed he being prepared for a six-years' sojourn in Polar waters. To reach the Pacific he made for Cape Horn, and there apparently changed his plans, and headed for the Antarctic, where he was first reported last November. Captain Scott, like a true sportsman sent his best wishes for the success of this unexpected and dangerous rival in the attack on the South Pole.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

Sir Wilfrid Laurir, who was seventy years of age in mail week, was the recipient of congratulations from Mr. Asquith and other political leaders on this side. "If I were not French," Sir Wilfrid once said, "I would choose to be Scotch." His rise to fame was predicted as far back as the sixties. "There's is a head for you," said his first law partner, after introducing him to Dr. Frechette, the poet Laureate of French Canada. "Did you notice that head? The young man who has it on his shoulders is sure to make himself heard of yet in the world. Why, sir, he is a poet, an orator, a philosopher, and a jurist—mark my words, he is the coming man." How true this prediction was all the world knows.

SNOW IN THE HIGHLANDS.

The Scottish Highlands are reported to be in the grip of a very severe snowstorm, the snow lying deeper than it has done at this time for several years past. The higher hills in the Beauly district of Inverness-shire are covered to a depth of over a foot, and in some localities there have been difficulties and delay in delivering the mails. Much damage has been done to young trees, many saplings having been snapped. Sheep are badly off and have to be hand-fed. Deer have been compelled to seek the low lands and could be seen the other day in large flocks on the sides of the road near the railway line.

"FACETIAE!"

A bookseller, in his recently issued catalogue, under the heading "Facetiae," inserts the following:

340——Kingsley (C.) Phaethon, or Loose Thoughts for Loose Thinkers, 2nd ed., 8vo. "boards", 1s. 1854

He evidently mistakes the metaphysics of the literary rector for literature of—well, a very different character.

A KILMARNOCK "BURNS" FOR SALE.

Burns lovers and book collectors in general [illegible] than ordinarily interested in the [illegible] the copy of the Kilmarnock [illegible]'s poems, which was a feature [illegible] library sale at Sotheby's in [illegible]re are copies of the "Kilmarnock" [illegible]1,000 was paid for one by the [illegible]d Cottage Trustees eight years [illegible]ten paid £700 for the copy in [illegible]ato Mr William C. Van An[illegible]k stockbroker, in 1907. At [illegible]urg, 545d guineas was given [illegible] for the well-known Lamb [illegible]eatire on these huge prices [illegible]urns's first published volume [illegible]l issue of over 600 copies [illegible]only £20.

[illegible]ISIONS.

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[illegible] Chinese revolu[illegible]inted out, will be [illegible] "Autobiographic [illegible] Mr. Frederic Har[illegible] call to the Bar at [illegible] intimate friend and [illegible]nself a Positivist, and [illegible]hinese Ambassador in [illegible].

[illegible]RISTIAN RELIGION.

[illegible]A., asks in the "Sunday [illegible] authorities and the [illegible]vely, deliberately, and [illegible]n religion?" and the [illegible]d to make is, "Yes." [illegible]me of God has disap[illegible] the school children [illegible]ks is entitled "Les [illegible]nfants." In the [illegible] rest under a fir[illegible] go to sleep and [illegible] the edition of [illegible] beauties of Nature [illegible]s God is the senti[illegible]ment of 18[illegible]d" disappears in 1908. "Prayer gives [illegible]nd hope" is replaced by "let us help each oth[illegible]

ODD SURNAMES.

The Law List (a correspondent points out) contains thirteen solicitors named Porter, three Ginns, one Beer, and a firm of "Gunn and Porter." There are also several Salts, Peppers, and Pickles, and one Peppercorn. There is neither Brandy nor Seltzer; but one Brandy and two Seltzers appear in the London Post Office Directory. Another correspondent (Mr. Thomas Garney) writes: I have comes across the following in ancient records: "Hold-the-nest," "Clinkandagger," Shakemaple," "Whiteacre" "Smallbeer, "Halfpenny, "Horsenail, and several more which would not look well in print.

WHAT THE CHILDREN ARE TAUGHT.

Wace asks Mr. Berry, are the little children of our nearest neighbour taught concerning the soul, the future life, the common faith of the universal Church Visible? A few quotations from the schoolbooks supply the answer. "No belief concerning God, the origin of the world, the origin and destiny of man can be accepted by thinking people; all that we can do in these matters is to make suppositions." "The Gospels contain moral conceptions which shock the modern conscience." Immortality is defined as merely the continuance of our memory in the hearts of those who loved us, "Religion is founded upon fear and upon unverifiable hypotheses. The suggestion conveyed by these and other facts is, according to Mr. Berry, that the prevailing tone of instruction in the elementary State schools of France is positively sceptical and scornfully hostile to the Christian religion.

THE RETURN OF THE REINDEER.

The reindeer that have just arrived at the Zoological Gardens are not "immigrant aliens," but exiles returning after many centuries to a country once occupied by their ancestors. Remains of reindeer are frequently found throughout England, Ireland, and Scotland, and it was formerly believed that in Caithness they survived until the middle of the twelfth century. In the fluviatile deposits of the Thames valley this kind of deer has been found so near the present home of the new arrivals as Kew and the Thames Embankment. Their sinews were used by our cave-dwelling forefathers for sewing purposes. The reindeer at the "Zoo" are said to be sufficiently tame for riding or draught, and can be utilised for carrying children, to the relief of the overworked elephant.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

CATCHING A PORCUPINE.

In spite of its formidable spines the porcup in often falls a prey to its enemies. An interesting illustration of how this may happen is given by Mr. A. L. Butler in the "Field." When travelling up the Blue Nile, in April last, he tells one how he met a native coming out of the bush carrying a large dead porcupine with its throat cut. The hunter, clad only with a loin cloth, and armed only with a knife, gave the following account of how he had secured the spiny beast. He saw the abu shok (father of spines), as it is picturesquely called in the native language, squatting in the dead grass with its spines flattened out. So he seized it by the head in one hand and cut its throat with the other. He thus secured it without a single scratch.

POWER REQUIRED TO DRIVE A LINER.

An interesting calculation recently made by a Glasgow engineer enables one to realise more vividly the enormous mechanical power required to carry a large liner across the Atlantic. A horse-power represents the work of an average horse, but the statement that the engines of the Lusitania are of 70,000 h.p. conveys only a vague idea to most people. On the supposition that twelve men can accomplish the work of one horse, 840,000 would be required to develop the power of the Lusitania's engines. If, then, they worked in shifts of eight hours each it would require 2,520,000 men to drive this great vessel across the Atlantic.

AN UNKNOWN REGION.

Of the few remaining unexplored regions of the earth one of the most interesting is that part of the great river Brahmaputra, just north of the British frontier in Thibet. It is now generally believed that the Brahmaputra of Assam, and the Tsango of Thibet are one and the same river. Yet it has not hitherto been possible to prove this and there are still 100 miles of connecting waters not yet explored. Attempts to prove the connection by floating marked logs from the upper waters have failed. This may be due to sharp bends in the river or to the existence of cataracts. Something smaller in the nature of floats might be more successful, as being less likely to be arrested in transit. There is said to be an enormous difference in level between the two known portions of the river, no less than 10,000 feet in 130 miles, or about one in 65. The reason why this region has remained unknown is the extreme roughness of the country, and the savage nature of the Abors, who inhabit it.

DEW PONDS.

The recent hot and dry summer has drawn special attention to the subject of dew-ponds. Are they, as has often been asserted, able to withstand the longest droughts, in virtue of their dew-collecting powers, or are they, like other ponds, liable to dry up in the prolonged absence of rain? The answer seems to be that, while some have quite dried up, others have retained a supply of water right through the prolonged dry weather of the present year. Thus, Mr. E. Martin, writing in "Nature," tells us that the dew-pond on St. Martinsell Hill, Wilts, was quite dry on September 18. The occupier of an adjacent cottage was able to state that it had never dried up during the previous 17 years.

DO THEY DEPEND ON DEW?

On the other hand, Mr. J. Clatworthy, visiting Chanctonbury dew-pond at the end of August, found it in a flourishing condition, though the water level was much below the normal. Other dew-ponds, however, which he visited, west of Chanctonbury, were quite dry. The fact that some dew-ponds have dried up seems to remove a certain amount of the mystery of their apparently perennial supply. Yet the fact the even some have been able to withstand such an abnormally dry season is sufficiently remarkable. On the whole it would appear to show that they do not primarily depend, as their name would imply, on dew.

THE DEWS OF LAST SUMMER.

Those, however, who believe in the important part played by dew, suggest that this has been less copious during this rainless summer. Thus Mr. Martin writes, "In short droughts the dew seems to be sufficient to maintain the 'feed'; but this year the absence of rain for so long brought about a remarkable absence of dew, and the dependence of dew upon earlier fallen rain seems to be an established fact." A later communication to "Nature," however, by Mr. Sidney Skinner throws doubt on this assertion. Thus between July 31 and September 5, this year, he collected a total amount of dew equivalent to one-fifth of an inch of water, or 20 tons per acre. In 1909, between August 3 and September 12, a slightly longer interval, only one-tenth of an inch was collected. In other words, the dew fall was twice as great during the past summer as in 1909, for the above period.

ARE DUE PONDS ONLY WATER-BUTTS?

If this can be shown to be true for the country then on the assumption that dewponds depend to any large extent on dew for their supply, there seems to be no reason why they should have dried up this summer. Support is lent to the view expressed by Mr. Skinner that dew-ponds are "simply watterbutts in which rain-water is stored." If this is so the fate of a pond in a long drought will depend on its depth, and the extent to which it is used in watering cattle, &c. That dews may be copious in the absence of rain is shown, again, by the case of the islands known as Desertas, near Madeira. Referring to this in his "Neolithic Dew-ponds and Cattleways" Dr. Hubbard states that the few fishermen who inhabit this rainless and streamless lands obtain their water by spreading out fleeces in the evening, and wringing the dew from them in the morning.

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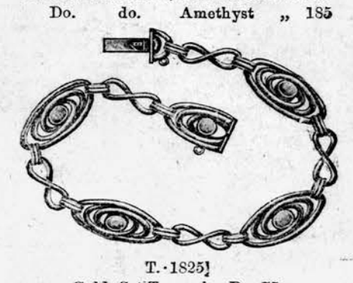
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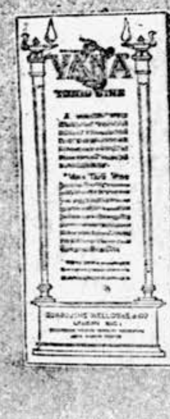
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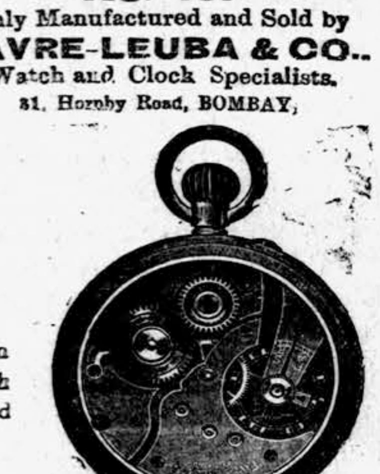
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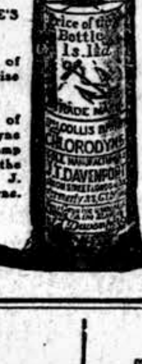
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